UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SAMUEL TUCCIO,)
Plaintiff,))
v.) Case No. 2:12 cv-12-05506-JFB-GRB
FJC SECURITY SERVICES INC.,))
Defendant.	<i>)</i>)

Declaration of Scott A. Weiss, Esq.

Scott A. Weiss, Esq., declares, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746 (2013) under penalties of perjury as follows:

- I am an attorney and counsel of record for Defendant FJC Security Services, Inc., Defendant in the above captioned matter. I am a member-attorney of Weiss & Weiss LLC and of counsel to Ingber Law Firm, PLLC which represents Defendant.
- I am licensed attorney admitted and authorized to practice before the States of New York,
 Connecticut and Illinois. I am admitted to the Bar and authorized to practice before this
 Court.
- 3. I am familiar with proceedings had to date.
- 4. I submit this Declaration in Support of the Motion for Summary Judgment and Entry of Summary Judgment in Defendant FJC Security Services, Inc. in that there exists no genuine issues of material fact and Defendant is entitled Summary Judgment as a matter of law.
- 5. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of the Complaint filed in this mater (Dkt# 1).

- 6. Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is a true and correct copy of the Answer to the Complaint filed in this matter by Defendant FJC Security Services Inc (Dkt # 13).
- 7. Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is true and correct copies of excerpts of the Deposition of James Donohue taken on August 22, 2013.
- 8. Attached hereto as Exhibit 4 is true and correct copies of excerpts of the Deposition of Gloria Noel taken on December 9, 2013.
- 9. Attached hereto as Exhibit 5 is true and correct copies of excerpts of the Deposition of Efrain Santiago taken on September 12, 2013.
- 10. Attached hereto as Exhibit 6 is true and correct copies of excerpts of the Deposition of Samuel Tuccio taken on August 15, 2013.
- 11. Attached hereto as Exhibit 7 is true and correct copies of excerpts of the Deposition of Frances Velazquez taken on September 12, 2013.
- 12. Attached hereto as Exhibit 8 is a true and correct copy of a 6 page Affidavit that Plaintiff produced in the discovery phase of this action that was submitted to the United States Government National Labor Relations Board (Dated: May 7, 2010).

[Signature follows...]

Dated: January 24, 2014

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UNITED STATES DISTRIC EASTERN DISTRICT OF 1		$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{V}$	12	5506)
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NAME OF PLAINTIFF(S)			IN (U.S. DIS	FILED CLERK'S OFFICE FRICT COURT E.D.N.	Υ.
V. FJC Security Services Inc.	·		* (OCT 26 2012	*
NAME OF DEFENDANT(S)		BIA	NCO, J. WN, M. J.	E
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Jurisdiction is specifically conferred upon this United States District Court by the aforementioned statutes, as well as 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1343. Jurisdiction may also be appropriate under 42 U.S.C. §§ 1981, 1983 and 1985(3), as amended by the Civil Rights Act of 1991, Pub. L. No. 102-166, and any related claims under New York law.

1. Plaintiff resides at:

199 West Nicholai Street Street Address 11801 516 938 4652 Nassau NY Telephone Number Zip Code County State 2. Defendant(s) resides at, or its business is located at: 275 Jericho Turnpike Street Address Nassau Floral Park 11001 County Zip Code City 3. The address at which I sought employment or was employed by the defendant(s) is: JFK Cargo Center 75, Room 228 Street Address **Jamaica** NY 114430 Queens County City Zip Code State

4. The discriminatory conduct of which I complain in this action includes (check only those that apply).				
		Failure to hire.		
	\checkmark	Termination of my employment.		
		Failure to promote.		
		Failure to accommodate my disability.		
	\checkmark	Unequal terms and conditions of my employment.		
		Retaliation		
		Other acts (specify):		
NOTE:	•	raised in the charge filed with the Equal Employment assion can be considered by the federal district court.		
J	is my best recollection that anuary 20, 2010 rate(s)	t the alleged discriminatory acts occurred on:		
6. I believe that the defendant(s) (check one)				
is still committing these acts against me.				
	is <u>not</u> still co	mmitting these acts against me.		
(4		against me based on my: and state the basis for discrimination, for example, igious discrimination is alleged)		
V	race	[] color		
	gender/sex	[] religion		
V	national origin			
	disability			
	age. If age is checked	ed, answer the following:		
	I was born inYear	At the time(s) defendant(s) discriminated against me,		
		less than 40 years old. (check one).		

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NOTE	E: Only those grounds raised in the charge filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission can be considered by the federal district court.	
s. See	The facts of my case are as follows: e attached document outlining the facts.	
Sec	e enclosed copy of my EEOC complaint.	
	(Attach additional sheets as necessary)	
NOTE	E: As additional support for your claim, you may attach to this complaint a copy of the charge filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the New York State Division of Human Rights, or the New York City Commission on Human Rights.	-
9.	It is my best recollection that I filed a charge with the New York State Division of Hur	nar
	Rights or the New York City Commission on Human Rights regarding defendant's alleged discriminatory conduct on: Date	
10.	It is my best recollection that I filed a charge with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission regarding defendant's alleged discriminatory conduct on: April 4, 2012	•
	Commission regarding defendant's alleged discriminatory conduct on:	

Date

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Only litigants alleging age discrimination must answer Question #11.

11.	Since filing my charge of age discr	imination with the Equal Employment Opportunity
	Commission regarding defendant's	s alleged discriminatory conduct (check one):
		60 days or more have elapsed.
		less than 60 days have elapsed.
12.	The Equal Employment Opportuni	ty Commission (check one):
		has not issued a Right to Sue letter.
		has issued a Right to Sue letter, which I received on August 1, 2012
		Date
inclu	WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays tha ding injunctive orders, damages, cost	t the Court grant such relief as may be appropriate, ts, and attorney's fees.
		Bamuel Jo Juccio
Date	October 26, 2012	PLAINTIFF'S SIGNATURE
		199 West Nicholai Street
		Address Hicksville, NY 11801
		516 938 4652
		Phone Number

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EEOC Form 161 (11/09)

U.S. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

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		behalf of person(s) aggrieved whose idea NFIDENTIAL (29 CFR §1601.7(e))	ntity is		
EEOC Charge	No	EEOC Representative			Telephone No.
		Holly M. Woodyar	d,		£
16G-2010-	02241	Investigator			(212) 336-3643
THE EEOC	IS CLOSING	ITS FILE ON THIS CHARGE F	OR THE FOLLO	WING REASON:	
	The facts alleg	ged in the charge fail to state a claim	n under any of the	statutes enforced by the EE	OC.
	Your ailegatio	ns did not involve a disability as defi	ined by the America	ans With Disabilities Act.	
	The Respond	ent employs less than the required r	number of employe	es or is not otherwise cover	ed by the statutes.
Your charge was not timely filed with EEOC; in other words, you waited too long after the date(s) of the alleged discrimination to file your charge					
The EEOC issues the following determination: Based upon its investigation, the EEOC is unable to conclude that the information obtained establishes violations of the statutes. This does not certify that the respondent is in compliance with the statutes. No finding is made as to any other issues that might be construed as having been raised by this charge.					
The EEOC has adopted the findings of the state or local fair employment practices agency that investigated this charge.					
	Other (briefly	state)			
- NOTICE OF SUIT RIGHTS - (See the additional information attached to this form.)					
Title VII, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act, or the Age Discrimination in Employment Act: This will be the only notice of dismissal and of your right to sue that we will send you. You may file a lawsuit against the respondent(s) under federal law based on this charge in federal or state court. Your lawsuit must be filed WITHIN 90 DAYS of your receipt of this notice; or your right to sue based on this charge will be lost. (The time limit for filing suit based on a claim under state law may be different.)					
Equal Pay Act (EPA): EPA suits must be filed in federal or state court within 2 years (3 years for willful violations) of the alleged EPA underpayment. This means that backpay due for any violations that occurred more than 2 years (3 years) before you file suit may not be collectible.					
	On behalf of the Commission				
			-V Br	اسلام	July 30, 2012

Kevin J. Berry, **District Director** (Date Mailed)

FJC SECURITY SERVICES INC. JFK Cargo Center Bldg 75, Room 228 Attn: Director of Human Resources Jamaica, NY 11430

Enclosures(s)

CC:

EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	·X	
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SAMUEL TUCCIO		
Plaintiff,		•
-against-		STATEMENT OF FACTS (ATTCHED TO COMPLAINT)
FJC Security Services Inc.		(ATTORIED TO COMPLAINT)
Defendant.		
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I.) DISCRIMINATION IN JOB ASSIGNMENTS

The Personnel department consisted of Hispanic employees. I had over 10 years of experience as a security guard, passed the fire guard exam with a score of 93, took an optional course so that I could drive a patrol car on the tarmac, got scores of 85 to 95 in my training class, was 66 years old, and a college graduate. In my employment application, I stated that I wanted a day shift. Yet I was given 3 outdoor assignments and 2 of them were on the graveyard shift:

A.) Security officer at Terminal 4, 11 PM – 7 AM. [June 1, 2009 – August 8, 2009] Listed below are the jobs at Terminal 4:
 Rover (driving a patrol car on the tarmac)

Bravo3 (inside)

Alpha3 (inside)

Romeo (inside)

Delta4 (inside)

Charlie1 (inside)

Charlie2 (inside)

Delta1 (outdoors on the second floor)

Charlie3 (outdoors)

Charlie4 (outdoors).

I was assigned to the last 3 positions which were OUTDOOR ASSIGNMENTS). After I complained to my supervisors that it was unfair for them to assign newly hired employees to the more desirable indoor assignments when I always got the least desirable outdoor assignments, in the middle of July, 2009, I finally got to work inside.

- B.) Security officer patrolling the <u>outside</u> of Building 20, 6 PM2 AM. [August 10, 2009] Assignment was refused.
- C.) Security officer for Avianca Airlines in Terminal 4 in the bag room, 5 AM 9 AM. [August 11, 2009 January 20, 2010.

Although "bag room" was not stated on the form which I signed(Exhibit A in FJC's answer to my original complaint), I was told by Human Resources that it was the bag room. This meant that I watched the circular luggage handling belts on the first floor near the Airbus 330 airplane itself. The bag room had doors which were 40 feet wide and 50 feet high. The doors were open most of the time with a 30 to 40 mile per hour wind blowing outside the doors. When I complained to the supervisors in the area about the lack of heat in November, 2009, they told me that the heat would not be turned on until after Thanksgiving Day. The "heat" turned out to be 2 large space heaters hanging from the ceiling

I want to subpoena for a deposition other white employees who experienced a similar fate:

- Justin Avery. He was in my training class and got
 on every test.
- 2.) Lowell Caraballo.
- 3.) The woman who worked on the tarmac in

- December 2009 January 2010 (mentioned in my original complaint to the EEOC).
- 4.) Jenny (last name unknown) who worked for two or three days in the bag room (one of the people who were there temporarily for one day).

With the court's permission, I want to subpoen the names of all the employees in my training class of May, 2009, the scores they received on every test, and the first 3 assignments each employee received.

II.) DISCRIMINATION BY THE SUPERVISOR, ALBERTO CABANILLA

When I worked in the bag room, there were 3 or 4 temporary employees there every day. They told me that they had better jobs jobs at the airport but were there for one day only after they requested overtime. They told me that they would never settle for the lousy job which I had. They were nearly always black or Hispanic and scoffed at the idea of being assigned to work on the tarmac guarding the plane as they were too good for this job.

In December, 2009, it got severely cold and Alberto Cabanilla assigned me and a white woman to work on the tarmac. He took me out of my assignment in the bag room over my protestations and wanted me on the tarmac 2 or 3 days per week. Sometimes I refused to work there and he changed my assignment. Other times, he gave me a choice between working outside or going home. I always went home when given this choice. My complaint to the EEOC is about the specific dates that I was forced to work on the tarmac under extreme weather conditions.

I noticed that FJC's attorney neglected to name the WHITE woman who was forced against her will to work on the tarmac in extreme weather conditions while young, muscular Latino men and women hid inside where it was warm. I might add that young muscular black men and women hid inside where it was warm – even those who were there for one day only.

I noticed that FJC's attorney failed to name the tall black woman who worked at Avainaca as a security guard. For this reason, I want to subpoena the daily sign in sheets at the Avianca office for August 11, 2009 through January 20, 2010.

FJC's attorney refers to an Exhibit C. This was a statement which I signed when I applied for employment. I was never given a copy of this. Since FJC's application process involves filling out about 30 or mores pages of forms, it is unreasonable for then to expect each new hire to remember the name and telephone number of the people to contact in case of employment discrimination.

I was never told any any time by anyone that seniority had anything to do with my assignments in Part I or Part II of this complaint until January 20, 2012 when the General Manager, James Donohue, brought it up.

Finally, I was terminated for standing up to employment discrimination and this should not be held against me.

Dated: October 26, 2012

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel J. Tuccio^c

199 West Nicholai Street Hicksville, New York 11801 (516) 938 4652 (voice or fax) SJS 44 (Rev. 12/07)

CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM.)

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	the complaint seeks injunctive relief,
	the matter is otherwise ineligible for the following reason
	DISCLOSURE STATEMENT - FEDERAL RULES CIVIL PROCEDURE 7.1
	Identify any parent corporation and any publicly held corporation that owns 10% or more or its stocks:
	RELATED CASE STATEMENT (Section VIII on the Front of this Form)
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	NY-E DIVISION OF BUSINESS RULE 50.1(d)(2)
1.) Is the ci	ivil action being filed in the Eastern District removed from a New York State Court located in Nassau or Suffolk
a) Did t	nswered "no" above: the events or omissions giving rise to the claim or claims, or a substantial part thereof, occur in Nassau or Suffolk
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	o question 2 (b) is "No," does the defendant (or a majority of the defendants, if there is more than one) reside in Nassau or or, in an interpleader action, does the claimant (or a majority of the claimants, if there is more than one) reside in Nassau by?
(N	ote: A corporation shall be considered a resident of the County in which it has the most significant contacts).
	BAR ADMISSION
I am currently ad	Imitted in the Eastern District of New York and currently a member in good standing of the bar of this court. Yes No
Are you currently	y the subject of any disciplinary action (s) in this or any other state or federal court? Yes (If yes, please explain) No
I certify the accu	eracy of all information provided above.
Signature:	N)A

PRO SE CHECK SHEET

PRO SE NAME Gamuel Juccio
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DIRECT ASSIGN TO JPB-GCB
RELATED TO 10-1714
BIANCO, J.
BROWN, M. J.
*PLEASE DO NOT ASSIGN TO A SENIOR JUDGE.
PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF THE DOCKET TO CATHY AFTER THE CASE IS OPENED.
THANK YOU.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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FJC SECURITY SERVICES INC.,	
) Defendant.)	•

Answer and Affirmative Defenses Submitted By Defendant FJC Security Services Inc.

Defendant, FJC Security Services Inc., by its attorneys, as and for its Answer and Affirmative Defenses to Plaintiff's Complaint ("Complaint") in this action, alleges as follows:

- Because the first paragraph of the Complaint alleges legal conclusions, no response is required, but Defendant denies liability.
- 2. As to the first paragraph on page 2 of 12 of the Complaint, Defendant admits that the court has federal subject matter jurisdiction and venue is proper, except to deny sufficient knowledge or information as to whether the Court has in personam jurisdiction over Defendant.
- Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 1 of the Complaint, but states that Defendant is informed and believes that Plaintiff resides at 199 West Nicholai Street, Hicksville, New York 11801.
- 4. Defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 2 of the Complaint.

- 5. Defendant denies sufficient knowledge or information to admit or deny the allegations alleged in Paragraph 3 of the Complaint, except to admit that Plaintiff was hired as a security guard on or about May 5, 2009, and his employment was terminated on or after January 20, 2010, when he refused an assignment in violation of Defendant's rules and regulations.
- 6. Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 4 of the Complaint.
- 7. Defendant denies the allegations contained in Paragraph 5 of the Complaint, except to admit that Plaintiff was terminated on or after January 20, 2010, when he refused an assignment in violation of Defendant's rules and regulations.
- 8. Defendant admits the allegations contained in Paragraph 6 of the Complaint and states further that at all times material hereto, it has been in full compliance of federal and state laws.
- 9. Defendant denies the allegations in Paragraph 7 of the Complaint.
- 10. Defendant denies sufficient knowledge or information to admit or deny the allegations contained in Paragraph 8 of the Complaint.
- 11. Defendant denies sufficient knowledge or information to admit or deny the allegations contained in Paragraph 9 of the Complaint.
- 12. Defendant denies sufficient knowledge or information to admit or deny the allegations contained in Paragraph 10 of the Complaint.
- 13. Defendant offers no response to Paragraph 11 of the Complaint as Plaintiff does not allege age discrimination in this matter.
- 14. Defendant denies sufficient knowledge or information sufficient to admit or deny the allegations contained in Paragraph 12 of the Complaint.

AS AND FOR A FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

15. The Complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.

AS AND FOR A SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

16. The allegations upon which Plaintiff relies and the alleged conduct is caused by Plaintiff's culpable conduct, namely Plaintiff was terminated because he refused an assignment in violation of Defendant's rules and regulations.

AS AND FOR A THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

17. Plaintiff may have failed to mitigate damages.

AS AND FOR A FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

18. There exists a collective bargaining agreement between Defendant and the Allied International Union pursuant to which Plaintiff is required to submit a grievance and if not resolved, demand arbitration through his certified bargaining representative, the Union, and therefore this claim should be arbitrated, if at all.

AS AND FOR A FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

19. The Court may not have in personam jurisdiction over the Defendant because of insufficiency of service.

AS AND FOR A SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

20. Defendant at all times material hereto has been in full and complete compliance with federal and state laws.

AS AND FOR A SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

21. All or any part of Plaintiff's claim may be barred by the doctrine of waiver and/or estoppel.

AS AND FOR A EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

22. Plaintiff's alleged claim may be barred because he failed to exhaust his administrative remedies, namely those remedies that may be available under a collective bargaining agreement.

WHEREFORE, Defendant FJC Security Services, Inc. prays that this Court enter an Order dismissing the Complaint with prejudice, awarding its reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursement of costs for defending this meritless claim, and such other and further relief as this Court deems appropriate.

DATED: Monday, December 31, 2012

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Certificate of Service

I, Scott A. Weiss, an attorney, certifies and affirms, under penalty of perjury, 28 U.S.C. §1746 (2012) that I caused to have this within *Answer and Affirmative Defenses Submitted by FJC Security Services Inc.* to be served on the following by first class mail, postage prepaid on Thursday, January 03, 2013:

Plaintiff:

Samuel Tuccio

199 West Nicholai Street Hicksville, New York 11801

DATED: Thursday, January 03, 2013

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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-against-

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> 225 Cadman Plaza Brooklyn, New York

August 22, 2013 12:55 p.m.

EXAMINATION BEFORE TRIAL of FJC

SECURITY SERVICES, INC., the Defendant
herein, by JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE, taken by
adverse parties, pursuant to Notice, held
at the above-noted time and place, before
Kimberly R. Jones, a Notary Public of
the State of New York.

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 period of nine months.
- 3 Q. When did you begin working for FJC
- 4 Security Services, Incorporated?
- 5 A. I began in 1999 on a part-time basis
- 6 and became a full-time employee in 2001.
- 7 Q. What was your position and location?
- 8 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
- 9 You may answer.
- 10 Q. What was your position and location?
- MR. WEISS: Are you saying his
- initial position?
- MR. TUCCIO: Yes.
- 14 A. My initial position when I began in
- 15 1999 was as a security officer, as a traffic
- 16 enforcement agent at Terminal 4 JFK.
- 17 Q. And what was your next position after
- 18 that?
- 19 A. In 2001, I was promoted to field
- 20 supervisor.
- Q. What was your next position?
- 22 A. In 2002, I was promoted to project
- 23 manager.
- Q. What was your next position after
- 25 that?

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- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 A. At that point, I had over 100 college
- 3 credits in the area of management. I underwent 40
- 4 hours of classroom training in the field aviation
- 5 security. I underwent Port Authority SIDA
- 6 training, Port Authority AOA driver training, New
- 7 York State eight hour certificate for security
- 8 officer, New York State 16 hour training as a
- 9 security officer, F93 training for FDNY fireguard,
- 10 in addition to 2001. At that time --
- 11 Q. Just training as supervisor or
- 12 manager, not as security guard.
- Do you have a college or university
- 14 degree?
- 15 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. What is that?
- 17 A. I have a Bachelor's degree in
- 18 business management from the College of
- 19 St. Francis in Brooklyn, New York.
- Q. Who appointed you or hired you to
- 21 your present position?
- 22 A. Who promoted me, is that the
- 23 question?
- Q. Yes, who made you executive director?
- 25 A. Former vice president Robert

1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE 2 Q. Next question. How does the human resources department test new employees? 3 4 All new employees go through an 5 initial training period, which I believe that 6 there may be a test at the end of that. I would 7 have to check with my training department, as well 8 as all new potential employees must undergo Port 9 Authority SIDA training, which a test is given at 10 the end of that. I'm also pretty sure that all 11 employees must obtain a New York State security 12 guard license and prior to getting that, they must 13 go through an eight hour training course, which I 14 believe there is a test at the end of that. 15 for the New York State 16 hour training course for 16 security officers. Again, I'm going off the best of my recollection and would have to fact check 17 18 that. 19 MR. TUCCIO: Maybe this will help. 20 I'm going to make this Exhibit Number 1. 21 just made one full copy of it, which you're 22 going to get, but it's just for him to this

is the same thing I mailed you.

just a cover sheet. But in this training,

I put down the exhibit, the certificates

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- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 Santiago.
- 3 A. To answer your question, again, it
- 4 appears to be certificates of completion and parts
- 5 and pieces of certain training materials that
- 6 appear to be part of FJC's -- several different
- 7 FJC training curriculum.
- 8 Q. The last thing you looked at was the
- 9 cargo screening, the first page of two booklets
- 10 that I received.
- 11 A. The last two pages referencing cargo
- 12 security screener with the Delta Airlines logo, as
- 13 well as the last page being a photo of an
- 14 electronic trace detection machine, that training
- 15 is not conducted by FJC. That training was
- 16 conducted by one of our clients at the time, that
- 17 being Delta Airlines.
- 18 O. How does the human resources
- 19 department determine which assignments to give to
- 20 new employees?
- 21 A. All work assignments are drafted up
- 22 by myself without names on them. At that point,
- 23 those blank work assignments are handed to the
- 24 personnel department who, in turn, then distribute
- 25 them to new hired employees based on first come,

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 first served after a turnaround time of the
- 3 vetting of their credentials to make them eligible
- 4 to work for FJC at an airport.
- 5 Q. Next question. Is there any relation
- 6 between the test scores and the training class
- 7 given by the instructor Efrain Santiago and the
- 8 first assignment given to a new employee?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Is there any relation to the test
- 11 score of the fire exam and the first assignment
- 12 given to a new employee?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Is there any relation to the test
- score of the exam given at the end of a course
- 16 taught by John Harding of Delta Airlines on the
- 17 cargo security screener using an explosives trace
- 18 detector and the first assignment given to a new
- 19 employee?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Is there any relation to the test
- 22 score of a four hour course given by the Port
- 23 Authority of New York and New Jersey and the first
- 24 assignment given to a new hire?
- 25 A. Please be more specific. The Port

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 Authority conducts several classes.
- 3 Q. Is there any relation to the
- 4 scores -- there's a score given on one of the
- 5 certificates that I showed you.
- A. Which certificate would that be?
- 7 Q. In Exhibit A, I believe the first
- 8 certificate has a score of 96 at the bottom.
- 9 A. You're referencing the Port Authority
- 10 of New York and New Jersey Certificate of
- 11 Attendance for SIDA certification?
- 12 Q. Correct.
- 13 A. So, no, there is no correlation to
- 14 the score on the test in regards to employees'
- 15 work assignments. But for the record, be known,
- 16 when it says there is no correlation to score, if
- 17 you fail any of the required courses, then you are
- 18 not eligible to work. So that would be the only
- 19 correlation.
- 20 Q. So if you fail any of the tests, then
- 21 you are not qualified to work?
- 22 A. Only if you fail a SIDA course or if
- 23 you fail FJC's initial training course. If
- 24 someone were to fail the fireguard exam, that
- 25 would not disqualify them from working, it would

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 just limit them to where they can work. Same for
- 3 Port Authority AOA driver training. If someone
- 4 fails the course, they are not eligible to drive
- 5 but that does not disqualify them from holding a
- 6 non-driving position and et cetera.
- 7 Q. Is there any relation to the number
- 8 of years of experience that a security guard has
- 9 and the first assignment given to him as a new
- 10 employee?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Does the previous employment record
- 13 of an employee have any relation to the assignment
- 14 given to the new employee; for example, suppose
- 15 that employee was a former police officer?
- 16 A. Depending on the position they're
- 17 applying for. Of course their past experience and
- 18 their credentials would determine what they're
- 19 eligible to work. For example, if I need an armed
- 20 security guard, someone who has law enforcement
- 21 background and is eligible to carry a firearm, of
- 22 course that would determine where they're eligible
- 23 and can work. But for the average airport
- 24 security officer, which is the entry level
- 25 position, that the majority of employees are hired

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 for, the answer is no.
- 3 Q. Is there any relation between
- 4 employee's educational record and the first
- 5 assignment given to a new employee?
- 6 A. For which position?
- 7 Q. Security guard.
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. So, I think maybe you answered this
- 10 one. Who makes the decision on which assignment
- 11 to give a new employee?
- MR. WEISS: Objection. Asked and
- answered.
- 14 You may answer it.
- 15 A. The schedules for new employees are
- 16 drafted up by myself without names or designation
- 17 to it. From that point, it is issued to the
- 18 personnel department, who then issues it to the
- 19 new hires on a first come, first served basis,
- 20 based on the turnaround time of their background
- 21 investigation and achieving their credentials to
- 22 work in the airport for FJC.
- Q. Are you in charge of hiring
- 24 instructors or members of the human resources
- 25 department?

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 A. Yes. Currently, yes.
- 3 Q. In 2009, were you in charge?
- 4 A. All final decisions on employment for
- 5 non guard personnel was verified and approved by
- 6 the vice president at that time, John Pagnotta.
- 7 Q. He verified and approved them but
- 8 were you in charge of hiring instructors or
- 9 members?
- 10 A. Based on the fact that it had to be
- 11 approved and authorized by the vice president, he
- 12 makes the final decisions. Again, when I
- 13 reference he, referring to the vice president
- in 2009 who was John Pagnotta.
- 15 Q. In 2009 to 2010, what was your
- 16 relationship to the people who worked in the
- 17 office at Suite 225 in Building 75 at the airport?
- 18 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
- But if you understand the question,
- you may answer it.
- 21 A. Under the direction of vice president
- 22 John Pagnotta, I had responsibility as the
- 23 immediate supervisor of all personnel in said
- 24 office.
- Q. Was it strictly professional?

1	JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
2 .	MR. WEISS: Objection. What does
3	that got to do with anything? How is that
4	relevant? Again, the scope of discovery,
5	while liberally construed, is based on what
6	is material and relevant under Rule 26.
7	What does his relationship, other than
8 .	professional in the office, got to do with
9	anything? If you can tell me how that's
10	relevant, then I'll let him answer the
11	question. I'm prepared to discuss it with
12	you informally off the record so we do not
13	burden the record.
14	MR. TUCCIO: Let me go on to the next
15	question.
16	Q. Did you go out together or socialize
17	at lunchtime with the employees in the office?
18	MR. WEISS: That's not material or
19	relevant, either.
20	But you may answer it.
21	A. I'm sure that sometime in my career,
22	yes, I did have lunch with my colleagues.
23	Q. This is a copy of the letter you sent
24	me.

(Whereupon, the aforementioned

1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE 2 Two-Page Document was marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit 2 for identification as of this 3 4 date by the Reporter.) 5 This is the letter of termination Q. which I received --6 7 MR. WEISS: One moment. 8 Α. Can I have time to review, please? 9 MR. WEISS: The only question I have 10 of you, Mr. Tuccio, is did you sign this 11 document? 12 MR. TUCCIO: That's not my signature, 13 that's his signature. 14 MR. WEISS: But it says Samuel Tuccio 15 on the right. Did you sign this at any 16 time? 17 MR. TUCCIO: No. 18 MR. WEISS: I want to make sure it's 19 complete, that's all. 20 Okay, are you ready to go? 21 THE WITNESS: Yes. 22 MR. WEISS: Go ahead. 23 Q. Do you recall speaking to me at 24 one p.m. on January 20, 2010?

Based on Exhibit 2 presented before

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- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 me, it indicates with my signature, yes, we did
- 3 meet and have a discussion.
- 4 Q. What did you say to me?
- 5 A. I don't recall the substance of the
- 6 conversation.
- 7 Q. Do you remember telling me that the
- 8 incident at five a.m. that morning caused the
- 9 alarms to go off, as stated in that letter?
- 10 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
- Which incident?
- MR. TUCCIO: The incident that's
- mentioned in that letter of me going
- 14 through --
- MR. WEISS: Go ahead.
- MR. TUCCIO: -- the door of Avianca
- 17 Airlines.
- 18 A. Based on the letter with my signature
- on it dated January 20, 2010, it indicates we did
- 20 have a discussion about an incident that occurred
- 21 on same date as letter at, approximately, I
- 22 believe it mentions between the hours of four a.m.
- 23 and eight a.m.
- Q. Yes, okay. January 20th, that was
- 25 daylight savings time, so that was about, I

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 believe, five a.m. Daylight savings time.
- Which alarms went off? You mentioned
- 4 several alarms; which alarms?
- 5 A. To the best of my recollection, based
- 6 on the information provided in Exhibit 2, I
- 7 believe it was a restricted access door leading
- 8 from inside of Terminal 4 onto the aeronautical
- 9 area, acronym, AOA.
- 10 Q. So, you're saying that one door alarm
- 11 went off?
- 12 A. I don't know how many. It doesn't
- 13 reference the amount of alarms in the letter.
- 14 Q. It does say alarms went off.
- To my knowledge, that was an isolated
- 16 area of the airport on the second floor of the
- 17 cargo building at Terminal 4. Everything was
- 18 closed at that time of night. It was just that
- 19 one alarm?
- MR. WEISS: Mr. Tuccio, I understand
- 21 you have a position but it's inappropriate
- for you to be testifying on the record.
- You had your opportunity last Thursday. If
- you have a question of this witness, please
- ask it.

- JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 Q. Your answer is that just one alarm
- 3 went off, or many?
- 4 MR. WEISS: That's not the testimony.
- 5 Go ahead, you can answer it again.
- A. I do not recall the amount of alarms.
- 7 But for the record, when an alarm is issued,
- 8 multiple lights and sirens do go off, so the
- 9 reference of plural in alarms may be pertaining to
- 10 that. That's to the best of my recollection and
- 11 what was presented in the document before me in
- 12 Exhibit 2.
- 13 Q. Did you tell me that the entire
- 14 building, that is all of Terminal 4, was
- 15 evacuated?
- A. Not that I recall.
- 17 Q. Did you ever say that to any other
- 18 employee who you terminated?
- MR. WEISS: Objection. Again, we're
- 20 bouncing up against relevance but if you
- 21 know, you may answer.
- 22 A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Did you tell me that all flights were
- 24 either cancelled or postponed at Terminal 4?
- 25 A. Not that I recall.

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE 2 MR. WEISS: Off the record. 3 (Discussion held off the record.) 4 Q. Did you ever say that to any other 5 employee who you terminated, that all flights were 6 either cancelled or postponed at Terminal 4? 7 Α. Not that I recall. 8 0. I just want to let you know, again, 9 you are under oath. So if I find out that you 10 have committed perjury, I will bring this to the 11 attention of the U.S. attorney. 12 I'm aware of my legal obligation. Α. 13 MR. WEISS: The witness has been 14 I ask you to refrain from veiled 15 threats because that's inappropriate on the 16 record. So please continue. 17 MR. TUCCIO: I don't think that's 18 inappropriate at all. 19 MR. WEISS: Please continue. 20 MR. TUCCIO: I don't think that's 21 inappropriate at all. 22 Did you tell me that the Port 23 Authority of New York and New Jersey policemen
- 25 A. Not that I recall.

would issue a warrant for my arrest?

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 Q. Not that I recall; is that a no?
- 3 A. It means I do not remember the
- 4 substance of the conversation that we allegedly
- 5 had as outlined in Exhibit 2 before me.
- 6 Q. Now, following that answer to the
- 7 last question, did you ever say that to any other
- 8 employee who you terminated?
- 9 MR. WEISS: Say what?
- 10 Q. That the Port Authority of New York
- 11 and New Jersey would issue a warrant for their
- 12 arrest.
- A. Not that I recall.
- Q. On or about February 9, 2010, the
- 15 union rep, Al Dooley, telephoned me --
- MR. WEISS: Mr. Tuccio, you're not
- permitted to testify. You had your chance.
- Is there a question?
- MR. TUCCIO: Yes, there is a
- question.
- 21 MR. WEISS: I'm trying to be patient
- 22 with you on these points but you have to
- ask a question.
- MR. TUCCIO: Yes, there will be a
- 25 question. That's what I'm getting to. I'm

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- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 Q. The IAT, that stands for?
- 3 A. International Arrivals Terminal.
- 4 Q. Let me go back one minute. On the
- 5 assignment of jobs, you claim that you were the
- 6 one who was in charge of assigning security guards
- 7 to their first assignment. After the security
- 8 guard works at the first assignment, let's say, in
- 9 my case, at Terminal 4, we're taken off of that
- 10 and put on another assignment. Who assigns
- 11 security guards to the second assignment?
- 12 A. I do.
- Q. And how about the third assignment?
- 14 A. I do.
- 15 Q. Now, returning to the security guards
- 16 log books. Where are the supervised security log
- 17 books secured?
- 18 A. For which account?
- 19 Q. I'm talking about the ones for JFK
- 20 IAT LLC.
- 21 A. Depending on how old and from what
- 22 year, they can either be in our office on site.
- 23 They could be in a storage closet within the
- 24 terminal. They could be in a storage closet at my
- 25 office at Building 75. They could be in a storage

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 stored?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. What happens to the test scores from
- 5 the exam from the cargo security screening given
- 6 by Delta Airlines?
- 7 MR. WEISS: That is, also, objection
- 8 as to form.
- 9 You may answer.
- 10 A. I believe that's proprietary to
- 11 Delta. I'm not sure.
- 12 Q. As I recall, they were graded by
- 13 Efrain Santiago in May 2009.
- 14 A. Just because he grades them doesn't
- 15 mean he's responsible for what's done with them
- 16 afterwards.
- MR. WEISS: There was no question but
- go ahead.
- 19 Q. So you do not know?
- 20 A. I believe they are proprietary
- 21 property of Delta Airlines but I am not sure.
- Q. What happens to the test scores from
- 23 the driving class for the designation on your
- 24 badge of DR 1 or EV given by Efrain Santiago?
- MR. WEISS: That's the same objection

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 the four day training period of Efrain Santiago's
- 3 basic security guard training, do you pay the
- 4 employees for that period?
- 5 A. That would fall under New York State
- 6 required training for a security officer. And as
- 7 far as I'm aware, the employer is not required to
- 8 pay for that because it is a state licensing class
- 9 in which the employee can transfer to their
- 10 employment anyplace else.
- 11 Q. So, you are saying that that is not a
- 12 violation of the federal labor law and it's not a
- 13 violation of the state labor law?
- 14 A. I'm not familiar with the labor laws.
- 15 I am not a lawyer, I am not familiar to the word
- 16 of the labor laws.
- 17 Q. I was not paid for the training that
- 18 I underwent for the driving of a vehicle on the
- 19 tarmac that was given for one day by Efrain
- 20 Santiago. Do you generally pay people for that
- 21 period?
- A. No, because that is a transferrable
- 23 certification that an employee can utilize and
- 24 take with them with future employment with other
- 25 companies.

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 Q. The training by the Port Authority of
- 3 New York and New Jersey, four hours of training
- 4 which results in a certificate that was given to
- 5 me, in Part A of Exhibit Number 1. Do you
- 6 generally pay employees for that?
- 7 A. No, it is a transferrable
- 8 certification to benefit the employee that can be
- 9 transferred to other employment within another
- 10 corporation or company.
- 11 Q. You know, you can say that about any
- 12 training in a way.
- MR. WEISS: That's not a question.
- 14 That's an argument.
- MR. TUCCIO: That's an argument,
- well, we'll see.
- MR. WEISS: Please proceed.
- 18 Q. You answered the question.
- MR. WEISS: What question?
- 20 Q. You answered the question.
- MR. WEISS: Okay.
- 22 Q. The training that I got, the cargo
- 23 screening training given by Delta instructor John
- 24 Harding, I was not paid for that. Should I have
- 25 been paid for that?

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 A. I would have to check records, I do
- 3 not know.
- 4 Q. I had to go to Brooklyn to the
- 5 Metrotech Center and get an F93 fireguard license,
- 6 and that was a few hours. I did that at the
- 7 request of your personnel department. Should I
- 8 have been paid for my time?
- 9 A. It's a transferrable certification
- 10 but we do reimburse our employees the \$25 fee for
- 11 the testing, which is not a requirement, it is a
- 12 generosity, a perk, I don't know the proper word
- 13 to use, that we give back to our employees for
- 14 getting that certification.
- 15 Q. In that exhibit, doesn't it say it's
- 16 only good at FJC? I don't see that it's
- 17 transferrable to another employee at all. On the
- 18 badge.
- 19 A. What is the question?
- 20 Q. The badge specifies FJC, it's for
- 21 FJC.
- MR. WEISS: Which tab?
- Q. Which would suggest it's not
- 24 transferrable to any other company.
- MR. WEISS: Well, the document --

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 A. What is the question?
- 3 Q. I believe the badge says that it's
- 4 for FJC's use. Our request, it's not
- 5 transferrable to another employer.
- 6 A. What is the question?
- 7 Q. Is this badge transferrable to
- 8 another employer?
- 9 A. Yes. With your new employer, you
- 10 would take a letter from that employer, bring it
- 11 to the Metrotech Center and they would change the
- 12 name over, without charging you or retesting you
- 13 as long as the license was still valid.
- 14 Q. Supervisor Alberto Cabanilla took me
- off my assignment in the bag room on December 3,
- 16 2009 and ordered me to work on the tarmac for
- 17 three and a half hours during heavy rain, cold
- 18 weather and about a 25 mile hour wind. Why didn't
- 19 FJC Security Services provide me with a vehicle
- 20 such as a Ford Escape or a Jeep Liberty for this
- 21 job? U.S. Security Associates, for example, does
- 22 that for its guards.
- MR. WEISS: What's the question? Can
- you read back the question? I'm not even
- 25 sure what the question is.

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2	(The requested portion of the record
3	was read back by the reporter.)
4	MR. WEISS: If you can answer the
5	question.
6	A. I can't speak on behalf of why U.S.
7	Security Associates does what they do, as I'm not
8	an employee of them. And in your particular
9	situation, the post did not require a vehicle.
10	Q. Do you believe that it is reasonable
11	for the management of FJC Security Services to put
12	the health and personal safety of a security guard
13	at risk by assigning Gloria Noel, a white female,
14	or myself, an old white man, to stand on the
15	tarmac completely exposed to the elements at
16	five a.m. during heavy rain, extreme cold and a
17	35 to 40 mile hour wind for up to four hours
18	repeatedly? The question, again
19	MR. WEISS: Listen. I object to the
20	improper hypotheticals. You're assuming
21	all sorts of facts in evidence to see if
22	you can pin down this witness on your
23	version of the arguments.
24	You can answer that question, you're
25	free to do so, but I object to that

1	JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
2	MR. TUCCIO: Yes.
3	MR. WEISS: Have you completed your
4	question?
5	Q. The thing is, did you claim in your
6	termination letter to me and your discussion with
7	me at one p.m. on January 20, 2010, that the
8	assignments were based on seniority?
9	MR. WEISS: I'm going to object to
10	the argument that was the large majority of
11	that question. It assumes facts not in
12	evidence, the document is the document, it
13	speaks for itself. And it also assumes
14	certain other facts that you're so
15	indicating is argument.
16	But if you can answer that question,
17	you may.
18	A. I don't recall the conversation that
19	you and I had on January 20th of 2010, so I cannot
20	answer that question. However, if the document
21	indicates that that was stated and that document
22	has my signature on it, then I will accept that as
23	fact.
24	Q. Did Alberto Cabanilla look up the
25	date of hire of every employee, both permanent and

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 rephrase it, please.
- 3 Q. How would Mr. Cabanilla be able to
- 4 judge the seniority of these people who were there
- 5 temporarily for one or two days, whether they
- 6 were --
- 7 A. Mr. Cabanilla did not make those
- 8 assignments. Someone volunteered for overtime,
- 9 those assignments are made through my dispatching
- 10 office. Granted, that if facts can prove any of
- 11 the persons being referenced on specific days were
- 12 actually on overtime or not.
- MR. WEISS: Off the record.
- 14 (Discussion held off the record.)
- 15 Q. So that was the reason why I asked
- 16 about how Mr. Cabanilla would know the start date
- 17 of --
- 18 MR. WEISS: Go on to your next
- 19 question.
- 20 Q. The answer there was kind of
- 21 unsatisfactory because it says the bag room but I
- 22 would be taken out of the bag room and told to
- 23 work -- see, that's changing my assignment.
- 24 Would Mr. Cabanilla know what the
- 25 regular jobs of these temporary people were; is

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 time. The assignments there at Avianca Airlines
- 3 on that morning shift, were they given out on the
- 4 basis of seniority by your security guard company?
- 5 MR. WEISS: You're referencing the
- 6 exhibit, Exhibit 4?
- 7 Q. The assignments, yeah, at Avianca
- 8 Airlines, in the mornings from five a.m. to
- 9 nine a.m., were those assignments assigned on the
- 10 basis of seniority; was I assigned to the bag room
- 11 based on seniority?
- A. As far as I'm aware and as stipulated
- 13 in Exhibit 2, yes.
- MR. WEISS: You had two questions in
- 15 there. Which question do you want him to
- 16 answer?
- 17 Q. Answer that one.
- MR. WEISS: Which one? I think you
- 19 answered the first one. I think that's the
- 20 next question.
- 21 Q. The question being, was Mr. Tuccio
- 22 assigned to the bag room based upon seniority.
- 23 (The requested portion of the record
- was read back by the reporter.)
- 25 A. As far as I'm aware and as stipulated

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 in Exhibit 2, yes.
- 3 Q. Okay, I have never heard of
- 4 assignments given on the basis of seniority in any
- 5 security guard company. Is this done extensively
- 6 at FJC or was this just a one time thing, on the
- 7 morning shift at Avianca Airlines?
- A. What's the question?
- 9 MR. WEISS: Hold on. Move to strike
- 10 the argument.
- But if you know the answer.
- 12 A. I don't know what the question is.
- MR. TUCCIO: Read the question.
- 14 (The requested portion of the record
- was read back by the reporter.)
- 16 A. As far as I'm aware, FJC does not do
- 17 things as a one time thing; we follow policies,
- 18 protocols and procedures. So as far as I'm aware
- 19 and based on -- depending on union CBA's and other
- 20 documents, as far as I'm aware, yes, most
- 21 assignments and requests are based on seniority in
- 22 most cases.
- Q. Did any other employee charge Alberto
- 24 Cabanilla with racial or ethnic discrimination?
- MR. WEISS: To your knowledge.

Τ	JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
2	A. To my knowledge, no.
3	Q. Was Alberto Cabanilla terminated?
4	MR. WEISS: You can answer that.
5	A. He has separated employment from FJC
6	Q. Did he separate voluntarily?
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. I'm going to ask you a question about
9	John Abraham, who worked as a supervisor on the
10	eleven p.m. to seven a.m. shift at Terminal 4
11	during the summer of 2009. Summer, I mean June
12	and July. Was John Abraham terminated?
13	A. I don't know who John Abraham is.
14	Q. Mr. Donohue, have you sought
15	treatment for mental illness from a priest,
16	minister, rabbi, social worker, mental health
17	professional, psychologist or psychiatrist?
18	MR. WEISS: I don't think that's an
19	appropriate question.
20	MR. TUCCIO: You asked me that.
21	MR. WEISS: That's because I was
22	trying to determine whether you were
23	seeking compensatory damages, which we're
24	entitled to ask that question. You are not
25	entitled to ask it of the defendant.

1	JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
2	That's way beyond the scope of discovery.
3	I'll get on the phone with the Court about
4	that. I am not going to ask him to give
5	his HIPAA related medical condition and,
6	by the way, that's why I asked for a HIPAA
7	release, and, by the way, there's a
8	confidentiality stipulation. His mental
9	condition is not at issue, yours is.
10	Which, by the way, you have not never
11	mind. You're not claiming that, so I'm not
12	pursuing it, as disclosed in your response
13	This is not, excuse me, because I do it,
14	you can do it. That's not how it works,
15	and vice versa, because you do it, I can do
16	it.
17	Q. Has any employee threatened to bring
18	a lawsuit against FJC Security Services?
19	A. Based on the size of our organization
20	and the length that we've been established, I
21	would assume, yes, I'm sure there has been legal
22	cases involving FJC.
23	Q. Do you know of any?
24	A. Not to my recollection at this time.
25	MR. WEISS: Other than this one.

- JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 Q. The question is, has any other
- 3 employee besides myself brought a lawsuit against
- 4 FJC Security Services?
- 5 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
- But you can answer.
- 7 A. Based on, I believe, the evidence
- 8 brought before me --
- 9 MR. WEISS: This is not evidence.
- 10 A. Based on the exhibit brought before
- 11 me, which references a newspaper article that
- 12 states that a former FJC employee is pursuing or
- 13 was pursuing a lawsuit against the company, so,
- 14 yes, I am aware of it now.
- MR. TUCCIO: I have no further
- 16 questions.
- MR. WEISS: Let me take a break. I
- may have some questions.
- 19 (At this time, a brief recess was
- taken.)
- MR. WEISS: I have some redirect.
- 22 EXAMINATION BY
- 23 MR. WEISS:
- Q. Mr. Donohue, Mr. Tuccio asked you a
- 25 question about Exhibit 2, which is that letter

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 that's dated January 20, 2010; do you recall that?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. I'm going to put that in front of you
- 5 and then ask you a couple of questions to clarify
- 6 it. Is that a document that you prepared
- 7 yourself?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Was it prepared about the time or
- 10 contemporaneously about the time you had the
- 11 conversation with Mr. Tuccio?
- 12 A. Yes, within no more than two hours.
- 13 Q. Is that your signature at the bottom?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Did you type that yourself or did you
- 16 handwrite it and give it to someone else to type
- 17 it?
- 18 A. No, I typed it myself.
- 19 Q. When you were done with it, did you
- 20 review it?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Now that you've seen the letter, has
- 23 that jogged your memory in any way as to what
- 24 transpired at that time? It references a meeting
- 25 with you and Mr. Tuccio.

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 A. Yes, the situation.
- 3 Q. Can you tell me what he said and what
- 4 you said in the situation, to the best of your
- 5 recollection?
- A. I can't remember verbatim the
- 7 discussions that was had.
- 8 Q. Sum and substance.
- 9 A. I do recall speaking with Mr. Tuccio,
- 10 advising him of what we felt were his violations,
- 11 advising him of the severity of the violations. I
- 12 do recall, vaguely, when he alleged unfair
- 13 practices, that we cease speaking about the
- 14 operational incident that occurred and I addressed
- 15 those immediately pertaining to where he stated
- 16 that he felt that he was being treated unfairly by
- 17 his supervisor. At that point, I advised him of
- 18 the facts that were, such as the ones written
- 19 here, pertaining to who he worked with, his
- 20 colleagues and how the assignments were made and
- 21 the reasoning behind the assignments. I believe I
- 22 also asked him if he wanted to pursue that further
- 23 at that point, and I believe he said no. And then
- 24 we referred back to the situation at hand, which
- 25 led to his termination of employment.

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- Q. When you say "pursue further," what
- 3 do you mean by that?
- 4 A. I asked him if he wanted to pursue
- 5 his -- after I provided him with the response and
- 6 the reasoning behind the assignments, if he still
- 7 wanted to pursue further, that he felt that he was
- 8 being discriminated against. If he would have
- 9 chosen yes, that he would have, at that point, I
- 10 have an obligation to report that to my corporate
- 11 human resources department, our corporate risk
- 12 management office and they would have conducted a
- 13 thorough investigation. That was not done based
- 14 on the fact that Mr. Tuccio did not want to pursue
- 15 it further. And, at that time, he appeared to be
- 16 satisfied with the response I gave him as
- 17 pertaining to post assignment.
- 18 Q. You referenced post assignment. What
- 19 is the policy regarding a guard refusing post
- 20 assignment?
- 21 A. Someone who refuses post assignment
- 22 can be grounds for immediate termination. It is a
- 23 terminable offense. Everything is on a case by
- 24 case basis.
- 25 Q. You were asked a series of questions

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 regarding Mr. Tuccio's assignment to the bag room.
- 3 And then his assignment, he asked you questions
- 4 about assignment out to the tarmac. Do you recall
- 5 that series of questions?
- A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. Is the tarmac posting, if you will,
- 8 part and parcel of the bag room assignment?
- 9 A. At times it can be, yes.
- 10 Q. Why is that?
- 11 A. The bag room assignment originally
- 12 was for the agents to monitor the baggage that was
- on the bag carousels, to prevent tampering or
- 14 threat by the ground handlers. That was a
- 15 deterrent. But then it was determined by our
- 16 client that there was still forms of pilfering
- 17 going on on the bags so at that point, we modified
- 18 the job assignment where the person in the bag
- 19 room would follow the bags from the bag room to
- 20 the loading of the aircraft, which involved being
- 21 outside on the tarmac.
- 22 Q. So if I understand you correctly, as
- 23 of 2009, when Mr. Tuccio was assigned following
- 24 the bags from the bag room out to the plane, that
- 25 was a job duty that he was required to perform at

- 1 JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
- 2 that time?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Earlier today Mr. Tuccio asked you
- 5 whether your mother was of Hispanic descent. Do
- 6 you feel comfortable with answering that question?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. And is she?
- 9 A. Not that I'm aware of, no.
- 10 Q. Mr. Tuccio also asked you whether
- 11 anyone in your family is of Hispanic descent, and
- 12 I'm paraphrasing, do you feel comfortable
- 13 answering that question?
- 14 A. Yes, that's fine.
- 15 Q. Is there anyone of Hispanic descent,
- 16 to your knowledge, in your family?
- 17 A. My first cousin on my mother's side,
- 18 her mother is, I believe, Puerto Rican, so that
- 19 would make her Hispanic. My first cousin on my
- 20 father's side, I believe his father is of Hispanic
- 21 descent, also. And if I think further to see
- 22 who's married into the family and who their
- 23 children are, I can determine.
- Q. That's okay.
- So, Exhibit 2 is a sum and substance

1		JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE
2	of the	conversation you had with Mr. Tuccio,
3	correc	t?
4		A. Yes.
5		MR. WEISS: I have no further
6		questions.
7		You have the right to redirect.
8		MR. TUCCIO: I have a right
9		MR. WEISS: To redirect this deponent
10		based on the testimony given. But you
11		can't go backwards. You can only I
12		asked him specific questions; you can't go
13		all the way to the beginning and start
14		over.
15		MR. TUCCIO: You claim that I refused
16		to pursue a discrimination charge; is that
17		correct?
18		THE WITNESS: What I recall, yes.
19		MR. TUCCIO: That never happened.
20		I have no further questions.
21		(Continued on next page to include
22		jurat.)
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1 ACKNOWLEDGMENT. 2 3 I, JAMES JOSEPH DONOHUE, hereby 4 certify that I have read the transcript of my testimony taken under oath in my 6 . deposition of August 22, 2013; that the 7 transcript is a true, complete and correct record of my testimony, and that the 9 answers on the record as given by me are 10 11 true and correct. 12 13 EPH 14 15 Subscribed and sw before me this 16 of Dovember 17 PUBLIC 18 Gina Grath Notary Public, State of New York No. 02GR6114850 19 Qualified in Suffolk County Commission Expires August 23, 20 /6 20 21 22 23

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1 2 CERTIFICATE 3 STATE OF NEW YORK 4 COUNTY OF NASSAU 5 6 I, KIMBERLY R. JONES, a Shorthand Reporter and 7 Notary Public for and within the State of New 8 York, do hereby certify: 9 That the testimony herein was held before me at 10 the aforesaid time and place. 11 That said witness was duly sworn before the 12 commencement of the testimony and that the 13 testimony was taken stenographically by me and is 14 a true and accurate transcription of my 15 stenographic notes. 16 I further certify that I am not related to any 17 of the parties to this action by blood or by 18 marriage and that I am in no way interested in the 19 outcome of this matter. 20 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand. 21 22 23 24

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SAMUEL TUCCIO,

Civil Action No. 12-5506(JFB)(GRB)

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Plaintiff,

-against-

FJC SECURITY SERVICES INC.

Defendant.

225 Cadman Plaza East Brooklyn, New York

December 9, 2013 3:04 p.m.

DEPOSITION OF GLORIA NOEL, a Third-Party witness herein, taken pursuant to Court Subpoena and held at the above time and place before Alicia Roberto, a stenotype reporter and Notary Public of the State of New York.

1 GLORIA NOEL 2 did not do after that date is neither 3 material or relevant to this case. 4 If you want to ask another question, be 5 my guest. 6 Do you remember seeing me on the tarmac 7 standing next to an airplane? 8 MR. WEISS: Me meaning, Mr. Tuccio. 9 Α No. 10 Did you ever refuse to work on the 11 tarmac standing next to an airplane? 12 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. Also 13 assumes fact not in evidence. 14 You can answer. 15 Α No. 16 Let me ask you one more thing. I hope this is not -- I'm not trying to be offensive: Are 17 18 you Afro-American, or black? 19 Black. Α 20 Q Black. Okay. 21 Did you ask to be put on the day shift? 22 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form, also assumes facts not in evidence. 23 24 Α No.

Did you ask for a promotion?

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                 No.
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                  Did you ask for a shift change?
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                  No.
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                  Did you ask for different assignments?
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            Α
                  No.
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            Q
                  Were you ever offered a raise, a
 8
     promotion or a day shift?
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            Α
                  No.
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                  Were you ever late for work?
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            Α
                  Yes.
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            Q
                 What happened?
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            Α
                 Maybe traffic or something like that.
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            Q
                  Did you get written up?
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            Α
                  Yes.
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                  Did you call in sick; did you ever call
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     in sick?
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                  I believe so, yes.
            Α
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                  Did you get written up for that?
            Q
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            Α
                  No.
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            Q
                  Were you ever a no-show?
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            Α
                  No.
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                  This is a general question: Were you
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     ever written up for anything?
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MR. WEISS: Objection as to form, also

1	GLORIA NOEL
2	asked and answered, but go ahead.
3	A No. I remember for lateness, I think I
4	had it, like, twice in a week, but I don't remember.
5	Q Okay. For lateness.
6	Do you believe that your test scores
7	for the training class were related to your first
8	assignment?
9	MR. WEISS: Objection. Again, this is
10	beyond the scope. What a person believes or
11	does not belive, no offense, is irrelevant to
12	this case. It's beyond the scope of the
13	discovery.
14	Now, if you want to tell me how her
15	beliefs, Ms. Noel's beliefs, are material and
16	relevant, then I'll consider not going to
17	Judge Brown on this, but I don't know what
18	this person believes is relevant in this
19	case.
20	Q Did anybody tell you that?
21	MR. WEISS: I believe that was asked
22	and answered.
23	Q Do you believe that what you got on
24	your test scores counted toward what assignment you
25	got?

1 GLORIA NOEL 2 Α No. 3 Why did you separate from FJC Security Services? 4 5 MR. WEISS: Again, this is not material 6 or relevant, but if you can answer that 7 question, it's up to you. 8 I don't know why her separation has any 9 relevance in this case. 10 Why did you separate from FJC Security 11 Services? 12 Α I was terminated. I was terminated. 13 Q You were what? 14 Α Terminated. 15 Q Who terminated you? 16 Α I believe, it was James Donohue. MR. TUCCIO: D-O-N-O-H-U-E, James. 17 18 Q Okay. What did James Donohue say to you on your last day? 19 20 MR. WEISS: I'm going to object as to 21 form because that is vague, but again, this 22 is way far field. Ms. Noel's termination is 23 not an issue in this case. 24 MR. TUCCIO: But there is --25 MR. WEISS: Please tell me why this is

- 1 GLORIA NOEL 2 relevant. 3 MR. TUCCIO: This is relevant because I want to see if what happened to her when 4 5 Mr. Donohue terminated her was the same as to 6 what happened to me. 7 MR. WEISS: Different situation. Different circumstances. 8 9 MR. TUCCIO: That's why I'm asking her. 10 0 What did James Donohue say to you on 11 your last day? 12 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 13 MR. TUCCIO: You can answer. 14 Α Um, I had gotten another job with the 15 airport, with another company, so I was juggling the 16 two, and, um, you know, I would call out more than I should with FJC, that's why I was terminated. You 17 know, try and juggle both jobs and, you know. 18 19 0 So --20 Α But, I mean, he explained to me and I 21 understood. 22 Did he make any false statements? Q 23 No, he didn't.
- Q Did he say that the Port Authority of
- 25 New York and New Jersey was notified?

Τ	GLORIA NOEL
2	in the telephone conferences that the
3	perimeters of discovery is limited by
4	materiality and relevances. Sal said that to
5	you twice over the phone and on the record.
6	You know, I've given you some leeway
7	because you're Pro Se, but it's not necessar
8	to walk Ms. Noel down this road when her
9	termination has nothing to do with what's
10	alleged in this case.
11	Q Did Mr. James Donohue make any
12	ridiculous statements to frighten you?
13	MR. WEISS: Objection.
14	Please, do not badger the witness.
15	MR. TUCCIO: I am not badgering the
16	witness at all. I'm just asking what
17	happened to her.
18	A No, he explained what the policies of
19	the company was.
20	Q Do you think that Mr. Donohue acted
21	improper at any time?
22	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
23	Go ahead if you know what that means.
24	A No, he didn't. He explained and I
25	understand.

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 Q Do you remember what months you were on
- 3 the tarmac, what month of the year?
- A I think it was, um, the time that I
- 5 worked in the bag room, if you notice, it was some
- 6 spaces with dates. Those were times that I work on
- 7 the jet bridge and on the jet way, on the tarmac, so
- 8 every now and then I would ask to work in the bag
- 9 room, so it was all...
- 10 Q Do you recognize what the name of that
- 11 post was when you were on the tarmac?
- MR. WEISS: You're referring to --
- MR. TUCCIO: Exhibit 2.
- MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
- 15 A What page is that, is that on the
- 16 10/31/09 date?
- 17 Q On any of the dates. Is there a post
- 18 for the tarmac?
- 19 A Is there a post for the tarmac, not
- 20 that I can remember.
- 21 Q All right. When you worked on the
- 22 tarmac, was it extremely cold with a 30 to 40-mile
- 23 an hour wind?
- MR. WEISS: Objection to form.
- Assume facts not in evidence.

1	GLORIA NOEL
2	Q Was it extremely cold with a 30 to
3	40-mile an hour wind?
4	A I mean, it was I worked there in the
5	winter and obviously it was cold, yes.
6	Q Was it raining?
7	MR. WEISS: Same objection.
8	A Once or twice it did rain, yes, yeah.
9	Q Did you complain to anyone about the
10	severe weather conditions when you were working on
11	the tarmac?
12	A No.
13	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
14	MR. TUCCIO: Okay. I guess I have no
15	more questions accept that one about
16	complaining to the management about Alberto
17	Cabanilla and James Donohue.
18	MR. WEISS: I'm going to try and figure
19	out how we're going to do this.
20	I wonder if it makes sense for me to
21	ask my questions and then you can ask
22	whatever questions you have off my questions
23	and then we can circle back to the end.
24	That's the way I've done it in the past.

They don't want it to be a piecemeal. And

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 about 15 years.
- 3 Q Oh, did you?
- 4 A Yeah.
- 5 Q What did you do?
- 6 A Legal records.
- 7 Q So you're familiar with what a legal
- 8 deposition is and what's involved?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q Now, Mr. Tuccio asked you a series of
- 11 questions about the bag room and I would like to
- 12 direct your attention to the time period from
- 13 August 1, 2009, to, about, January, let's call
- 14 January 21, 2010.
- 15 A Okay.
- 16 Q Is there a difference between bag room
- and bag watch; were you aware of any difference?
- 18 A It's the same. I mean, you go in the
- 19 bag room to watch the bags, so it's pretty much the
- 20 same thing.
- 21 Q Because you're a security quard?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q When you were first employed by this
- 24 company, I think you were employed -- let me back up
- 25 for a minute.

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1 GLORIA NOEL
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- 2 Q I think you testified that no one ever
- 3 said to you, you just had to pass, correct?
- 4 A Yes, yes.
- 5 Q And then you were eligible?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q Your first assignment was to Charlie 1
- 8 or C1?
- 9 A Yes, Charlie 1.
- 10 Q That was outside, right?
- 11 A Yes, it was.
- 12 Q That was traffic duty?
- 13 A Yes, it was.
- 14 Q You were there for six months?
- A As far as I could remember, yes, pretty
- 16 much about, yes.
- 17 Q I think you were first employed on
- 18 January 1, 2009; does that ring a bell?
- 19 A At FJC?
- Q At FJC.
- 21 A No. On January 1, no. It was May, May
- 22 of '09.
- Q Well, you had training in June of 2009;
- 24 do you recall doing that?
- 25 A Yeah.

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 terminal?
- 3 A Right. Majority of flights come out of
- 4 terminal 4.
- 5 Q So there are a lot of other airlines --
- 6 A Oh, yes, a lot, a lot.
- 7 Q Now, when you worked for FJC -- again,
- 8 I want you to focus on somewhere around May of '09
- 9 to January of 2010. Were you in -- you mentioned
- 10 inside and outside, but were you in other locations
- 11 as well?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Did those locations include being
- 14 outside?
- 15 A No. When I'm inside, I'm inside. When
- 16 I'm outside, I'm outside.
- 17 Q Okay. So you were in both places?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Traffic duty, is that outside?
- 20 A Yes. Outside.
- 21 Q And that was the first six months?
- 22 A Yes, about, yes.
- 23 Q In those six months did you observe
- 24 other guards --
- MR. TUCCIO: Objection.

- 1 GLORIA NOEL 2 clarify it. 3 MR. TUCCIO: It wasn't the first six 4 months. 5 MR. WEISS: I'll clarify it. I get it. I'll clarify it. I'll clarify it. 6 7 Q When you were on traffic duty, were you 8 on traffic duty in June? 9 Yeah, because I started in May. That was my first set of assignments. 10 11 When you were on traffic duty, were you 12 out in the elements? 13 Α Yes, yes. 14
- Did it rain while you were on traffic
- 15 duty?
- 16 Yes, there were times when it rained, Α
- 17 yes.
- 18 Were you on traffic duty in July? Q
- 19 Α Yes.
- 20 Was it 80, 90 degrees in July? It's
- the summer. 21
- 22 Α Yes, yes.
- And you were outside? 23 Q
- 24 Α Yes.
- 25 Q How about in August, were you on

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     traffic duty in August?
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                 Yes, as far as I can remember, yes.
                 And you were outside to the elements?
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            Α
                 Yes.
 6
                 So you recall doing traffic duty when
            Q
 7
     it rained and then when it was hot out?
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            Α
                 Yes, rain, hot, yes.
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            Q
                 I've never done this job, but I'm
10
     assuming that this is part of the job to be in the
11
     elements, isn't it?
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            Α
                 Yes.
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                 MR. TUCCIO: Let me ask you one
14
            question.
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                 MR. WEISS: No, no, no.
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                 MR. TUCCIO: Why don't I have the
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            records?
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                 MR. WEISS: Stop. Stop. Write them
19
            down. You can ask when I'm done.
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                 I get to re-recross and you get to
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            redirect.
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                 THE WITNESS: Can I excuse myself to
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            the bathroom?
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                 MR. WEISS: Please, please.
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Off the record.

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- 2 (Discussion held off the record.)
- Q Let's focus on June for a second. You
- 4 said that you were at Charlie 1, which is outside
- 5 traffic; is that your testimony?
- A Yes.
- 7 Q In June, I show about -- I'm aware of
- 8 about six times that you were at Charlie 1. Were
- 9 you at Charlie 4 as well?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q What's Charlie 4?
- 12 A Charlie 4 is the same thing as Charlie
- 13 1; traffic.
- 14 Q Outside?
- 15 A Yes. Charlie 4, yes.
- Q And I show that you were at Delta 1
- 17 twice, what is Delta 1?
- 18 A Delta 1 is arrival. Let me see. I
- 19 believe Delta 1 is arrival, Delta 2 is departure.
- 20 Q That's fine. If you don't remember,
- 21 that's fine.
- 22 A Okay.
- Q How about Delta 2?
- 24 A Delta 2, yes.
- 25 Q Is that arrivals?

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 A Either arrivals or departure.
- 3 Q Is it inside or outside?
- 4 A Wait a minute.
- 5 Q You want to think about it for a
- 6 minute?
- 7 A Yes.
- B Delta 1 and Delta 2 is, um, departure,
- 9 that whole strip, yes. I think the east side was
- 10 Delta 1 and, yeah, the --
- 11 Q Is that inside or outside, the Deltas?
- 12 A The Delta is outside, yeah.
- Q So Delta 1 and 2 is outside?
- 14 A Yeah.
- 15 Q That's departure. Does Delta stand for
- 16 departure as in D, if you know?
- 17 A I don't remember.
- 18 Q So you had D1 and 2 which is departure,
- 19 which you were outside?
- MR. TUCCIO: Can I have an objection.
- Delta 2 is inside, Delta 1 is outside.
- MR. WEISS: That's your contention.
- She's testifying. That's not an objection.
- 24 She's testifying. If you want to clarify,
- 25 you talk to her about it.

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 Q So you were at Delta 1 and 2 and
- 3 Charlie 1 and 4 through June and July; do you recall
- 4 that?
- 5 A Yeah, I forgot about the Deltas.
- 6 Q You were in Delta 1 and 2 and 1 and 4
- 7 through August; do you recall that?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q What is Charlie 3?
- 10 A Charlie 3 is outside too. I believe
- 11 Charlie 3 is on the -- I think Charlie 1 is where
- 12 the traffic enters, Charlie 3 is where it exits, if
- 13 I remember correctly.
- 14 Q Okay. In September you were again at
- Delta 1, Charlie 4, 2 and 3, all outside; is that
- 16 your recollection?
- 17 A Yes, I would say yes, yes. But I did
- 18 do those posts. I don't remember the month and
- 19 whatever, but I did do those posts around that time,
- 20 yes.
- Q When you were at Charlie -- again,
- 22 we're focusing on June, July and August.
- 23 A Yeah, that was pretty much in the
- 24 beginning.
- Q When you were at Charlie 1 and 4 and 3

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 and Delta 1 and 2, that was outside, correct?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Did you see other guards at the posts?
- 5 A Yeah.
- 6 Q Were those guards also of color?
- 7 A They're mixed races. We had an Indian
- 8 guy, we had two Indians from India, we had a
- 9 Hispanic, we had African Americans, um --
- 10 Q And you're focusing on June to
- 11 September, there?
- 12 A Yeah, yeah. It was mixed.
- Q Okay. And your colleagues were there
- 14 in the rain and the cold and the rest of it just
- 15 like you were?
- 16 A Yeah, you have the posts, you go to
- 17 your post and you do what you have to do.
- 18 Q Okay. I think that you testified that
- 19 based on Exhibit -- let's go to Exhibit 2.
- 20 Mr. Tuccio had you go through these 13 pages, and
- 21 let's do it in two pieces, break it down a little
- 22 bit.
- 23 This is October 31, 2009?
- 24 A Mm-hmm.
- 25 Q This is a company document, so we

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 produced it and we're supposed to show that you are
- 3 -- is that your signature there, by the way?
- 4 A Yeah, um-hmm.
- 5 Q Four hours, 09:00. I'm looking for the
- 6 posting.
- 7 MR. WEISS: Off the record.
- 8 (Discussion held off the record.)
- 9 Q Okay. I think Mr. Tuccio asked you a
- 10 series of questions about the bag room. Let's talk
- 11 about the bag room.
- 12 What is the bag room and, again, focus
- 13 your attention on November or October of 2009. What
- 14 did you observe at the bag room? What was the post?
- 15 A The bag room is where the, um, when the
- 16 luggage is being checked by TSA, it comes through
- 17 the system and comes down the conveyer belt and then
- 18 it would be selected as to which airline, what goes
- 19 to -- well, of course, well -- when, when, let me
- 20 put it this way.
- 21 Q Take your time.
- 22 A Each airline had a certain time for the
- 23 bags to come out depending on the flight. So for
- 24 instance, like, Avianca, you would go in and they
- 25 would come down the conveyer belt, so they would

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 just watch it, you know, monitor. There would be,
- 3 if I remember correctly --
- 4 Q Let me just slow you down.
- Is this inside a building where these
- 6 bags are coming down where you are?
- 7 A It's um, it's, yes, it's inside, yeah,
- 8 but the door -- what to put it -- it's a ground
- 9 floor of the building and then there were these huge
- 10 doors, you know, that goes up, like, a garage door.
- 11 Q Okay.
- 12 A You know, pull it up and it goes up and
- down, so you can see outside, just like a garage.
- Q So you're describing the I'm not
- 15 trying to change your testimony. I'm just trying to
- 16 understand.
- MR. TUCCIO: Objection.
- I just want to say, you objected when I
- 19 asked this.
- MR. WEISS: I understand.
- MR. TUCCIO: How come you're going into
- 22 it?
- MR. WEISS: I understand.
- MR. TUCCIO: How come you're going into
- 25 it?

1 GLORIA NOEL 2 MR. WEISS: I'm just trying to 3 understand. 4 MR. TUCCIO: You can't have it both 5 ways. 6 MR. WEISS: No one in the room has been 7 in that baggage room. 8 MR. TUCCIO: But there are many garage doors, there's about 10, 11, 12. 9 10 MR. WEISS: Stop. You can't testify. 11 You'll get to ask questions. She's 12 testifying. 13 So I understand you correctly, it looks 14 like a garage with a garage door? 15 Α Yes. 16 And the bags are coming through the 17 garage door? 18 No, no, no. Let's say this is a door 19 (indicating), this is a conveyer belt, comes in an 20 L-shape and then comes out (indicating). 21 From the ceiling? Q 22 Α No, there's a big whatever, but you 23 can't see where it's coming from. It just shoots

down on the belt, shoots down on the belt, and then

we pull it off (indicating).

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- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 Q Is the garage door open or closed?
- 3 A Open, but there were times that we
- 4 would close it, but pretty much open.
- 5 Q Why would you close it at times?
- 6 A Sometimes when it's, like, really cold,
- 7 then we close it for a little bit.
- 8 Q What was your job when you were there,
- 9 what were you supposed to do?
- 10 A Well, the guys usually would, you know,
- 11 pull the bags off.
- 12 Q The baggage handlers?
- 13 A Yeah. Same security.
- 14 They would pull the bags. But we would
- 15 watch to see if anything was broken, if anything
- 16 was, like, you know, is falling out, if a zipper is
- 17 open, anything like that. If anything like that is
- 18 open, we pull it aside and we can check to see if
- 19 anything is leaking or whatever, whatever.
- 20 Q The airport security guards would do
- 21 that?
- 22 A Yeah, yeah we did that, yeah.
- 23 Q And then once those bags were
- 24 segregated, then what would you do?
- 25 A When the bags are segregated, we would

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 have the Avianca workers there with us as well.
- 3 Q The baggage handlers? Who are the
- 4 Avianca employees?
- 5 A They weren't baggage handlers, they
- 6 were, Avianca, maybe they were workers, whatever, I
- 7 would say that. But if a bag is broken we would put
- 8 -- pull it aside and we would pretty much take care
- 9 of it.
- 10 Q Do you know why the garage door is
- 11 open?
- 12 A No, they never say.
- 13 Q Is there any heaters in the ceiling or
- 14 anything? Is there any heat in the room, if you
- 15 know?
- 16 A Was there heat in that room? I don't
- 17 remember. I don't remember. I know sometimes when
- 18 it was really windy, we would close it, but heat, I
- 19 don't remember, heat.
- 20 Q So you spent some time in the elements
- 21 and inside --
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q -- during this time that you were near
- the bag room or in the bag room, rather?
- 25 A When I was in the bag room, I was in

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 the bag room, but the other times when I was
- 3 outside, it was not in, you know, in the...
- 4 Q So just so I'm understanding you, when
- 5 you were in the bag room you were inside?
- A Yes, yes, yes.
- 7 Q In your response to Mr. Tuccio's
- 8 question, you indicated that there were other
- 9 assignments that you were involved in while you were
- 10 in the bag room?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q You mentioned some gaps?
- 13 A Yes, yes.
- 14 Q And those other assignments that you
- 15 mentioned, they were at other places?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q In the airport?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Were they both inside and outside?
- 20 A Some was on the jet way, on the jet
- 21 bridge.
- 22 Q Slowly. The jet way is outside?
- A No, inside.
- Q Okay. What's outside?
- 25 A Outside is when you would come down

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 know what they call it.
- Q Conveyer?
- 4 A It's something -- like, the luggage
- 5 would slide down, you know, and the guys would grab
- 6 it and put it on the trolly and take it to where the
- 7 area where, of course, customs would then have to
- 8 check it, and passengers would then come to receive
- 9 their bags.
- 10 Q While you were doing this, this is on
- 11 the ground outside the building?
- 12 A Yeah, right underneath the plane,
- 13 right, yes.
- Q And you were doing these assignments in
- 15 November, December and January, correct?
- 16 A Yes.
- Q Were you the only airport security
- 18 agent doing that type of work in October, November,
- 19 December, January?
- 20 A No, no.
- Q Were there other airport security?
- 22 A Yes.
- Q Were they people of color as well?
- 24 A I remember this one lady, she was
- 25 Italian, um, and Ann is Italian.

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 Q And African American?
- 3 A No, she was Italian.
- 4 Q No, no. Were there others?
- 5 A Yes, there were others. The lady that
- 6 I call.
- 7 Q She is African American?
- 8 A Yeah, she's African American. Ann
- 9 Gazara, she's Italian.
- 10 Q Why don't you spell that, if you can,
- 11 for Alicia.
- 12 A Spell what?
- 13 Q The one that you just mentioned, the
- 14 one with the Italian decent.
- 15 A A-N-N G-A-Z-A-R-A.
- There was another -- there was some
- 17 Hispanics too, Indian from India, yeah, it was
- 18 mixed.
- 19 Q It was mixed?
- 20 A Yeah.
- 21 Q You observed these other airport
- 22 security agents outside on the tarmac during
- October, November, December?
- 24 A Yeah, we all did the same thing.
- 25 Q Just so I understand, the jet bridge is

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 and I were defining the same thing.
- In addition to what you testified to
- 4 about being on the tarmac and being on the ground
- 5 underneath the plane and being there on traffic duty
- 6 at Charlie 1, 2, 3, 4 and Delta 1 and 2, during this
- 7 time from about November to January 2010, were you
- 8 in any other outside locations?
- 9 A No. No, mm-mm. As far as I can
- 10 remember, no.
- 11 Q Now, I think in response to a question
- 12 that Mr. Tuccio posed to you about your training --
- 13 let's see if I can find it. Just bear with me for a
- 14 minute.
- 15 I think you testified that no one said
- 16 to you that the scores in your training, and I'm
- 17 paraphrasing, will dictate your initial assignment;
- 18 do you recall talking about that?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q So nobody ever said to you if you do
- 21 better, we're going to give you a better assignment?
- 22 A No, not to me.
- 23 Q And you weren't present with anybody
- 24 else that that was said to?
- 25 A No, no.

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 Q Mr. Tuccio asked you about Mr. Alberto
- 3 Cabanilla; do you remember him?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Okay. Let me direct your attention to
- 6 -- you mentioned in your testimony that you, you
- 7 said you had called in sick; do you remember that
- 8 testimony?
- 9 A Yeah, yeah.
- 10 Q And I think you called out, isn't that
- 11 the case?
- 12 A Yes. He would call and say --
- 13 Q You didn't call in properly and then
- 14 you were terminated?
- 15 A No, the reason I was terminated, I did
- 16 call out a few times, as I said I was trying to
- 17 juggle both jobs.
- 18 Q I understand.
- 19 A And then according to company policy, I
- 20 went over the limit.
- 21 Q And you understood that you went over
- 22 the limit?
- 23 A Yeah.
- 24 Q You had no problem with that because
- 25 someone had told you that was the policy, right?

1 GLORIA NOEL 2 Α Yeah, I knew. I knew. 3 When you were tended with the Subpoena, were you given a check? 4 5 Α Yes. 6 How much did you get? Q 7 Α \$45.00. And I returned it, because I 8 wasn't sure. 9 You're entitled to that. Q 10 Mr. Tuccio told me that I have to 11 return it and then he said he would send me another 12 one. 13 Have you been paid since? Q 14 Α No. 15 MR. WEISS: You have to give her the 16 45. 17 MR. TUCCIO: Can I make a remark? 18 The process receiver tried to deliver the Subpoena to you three times on Friday, 19 20 and this morning I contacted him and said he would try and get it to you this morning 21 before she came here. 22 23 MR. WEISS: I just want to make sure

she get's it. That's all.

Off the record.

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- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 (Discussion held off the record.)
- 3 Q When you went to stand near the plane,
- 4 when it was unloading, was that part of the job
- 5 duty, something that you had to do?
- A When I went?
- 7 Q You mentioned that you would stand
- 8 outside on the ground under the jet bridge.
- 9 A Yes, that is out of there.
- 10 Q That's the job duty.
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q And you understood that to be your job
- 13 to do that?
- 14 A Yes.
- Q When you were in the bag room observing
- 16 the unloading of the luggage in November, December,
- January '09, 2010, that was part of your job duty?
- 18 A Yes, it was.
- 19 Q When you worked on the, I'm going to
- 20 say the tarmac, down on the outside, you did that in
- 21 the rain and in the snow in November?
- 22 A Yeah, I mean, whatever the element was,
- 23 if the plane comes in, we have to do what we have to
- 24 do.
- 25 Q You understood that it was part of

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 your --
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q -- you understood that it was part of
- 5 your job to work in the elements, whatever they may
- 6 be?
- 7 A Yeah, yeah.
- 8 Q No one told you otherwise?
- 9 A Otherwise meaning...
- MR. WEISS: I'll withdraw.
- 11 Q Once you were terminated -- I think I
- 12 understand your testimony, but I want to make sure I
- 13 understand it clearly.
- Once you were terminated from FJC, you
- 15 went to work for the other security guard company?
- 16 A I was working at the other job before I
- 17 was terminated.
- 18 Q So when you were terminated from FJC
- 19 you then continued with the other security guard
- 20 company?
- 21 A As we speak, I'm still working for
- 22 them.
- 23 Q Oh, you still work for that company.
- What's the name of that company?
- 25 A ISS Actions Security.

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 Q So I understand your testimony, you
- 3 didn't go back to FJC or take any steps in relation
- 4 to your termination from FJC, you just continued to
- 5 work at ISS?
- 6 A Yes, I just continued. As I said, I
- 7 started before I was terminated from FJC. I mean, I
- 8 was trying to juggle the two, but it didn't work
- 9 out.
- 10 After I was terminated from FJC, I just
- 11 continued at --
- 12 Q ISS.
- 13 A Yes, yes.
- 14 Q But you didn't complain to anyone at
- 15 FJC, you just continued, right?
- 16 A Yeah, I didn't have anything to
- 17 complain about.
- 18 Q Okay.
- MR. WEISS: I have no other questions.
- 20 CONTINUED EXAMINATION BY
- 21 MR. TUCCIO:
- 22 Q I just want to ask a couple of
- 23 questions.
- 24 We talked about -- Mr. Weiss talked
- 25 about Charlie 1, 2, 3 and 4.

1 GLORIA NOEL 2 Α No. Were any other security guards you 3 Q 4 noticed assigned exclusively every single day, week 5 after week, after week to outside posts? 6 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. I 7 don't know if it's in the witness's personal 8 knowledge. 9 Do you remember anybody? 10 Um, I remember one of the Indian guys 11 -- I don't remember his name that used to work out 12 there -- most of his posts was out there, because he 13 didn't like to be inside. He was there for a while. 14 I don't remember his name. 15 Q Would it be a fair statement to say 16 that you were rotated? 17 A Yes. 18 Would it be fair to say that other Q 19 security guards that worked for FJC were rotated? 20 A Yes. 21 Let's go back to Mr. Weiss's question 22 about working on the tarmac outside. 23 How often did you work the tarmac, were 24 you there three times a week?

MR. WEISS: Again, I have an objection.

GLORIA NOEL 1 2 I'm assuming you mean, just so I understand, 3 I'm assuming you mean the space under the jet bridge that we talked about. 4 5 No, what I mean by tarmac is, when they Q have people on the tarmac next to the plane watching 6 7 the luggage people unload; how often did you do 8 that? 9 Α It wasn't everyday. Was it four times a week? 10 Q No, I wouldn't say four times. 11 Α I might 12 do it for, like, twice or three times a week and then I may not do it for another three weeks. 13 wasn't consistent. 14 15 It wasn't a steady assignment? Q 16 Α Yes. 17 You weren't picked on or singled out 18 for that assignment? MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 19 No, I don't belive I was singled out, 20 Α

- 21 no.
- 22 Q Okay. All right. So, basically, all
- right, you were rotated? 23
- MR. WEISS: Objection. 24
- 25 Asked and answered.

- 1 GLORIA NOEL 2 Α Yes. If I was rotated, that is the question, right? 3 4 Q Yes. 5 Α Yes. 6 Was your training in May of 2009? Q 7 Yes, because I was hired shortly Α 8 thereafter. 9 Because the defendant was supposed to Q 10 supply me --11 MR. WEISS: You can't discuss that with 12 her. 13 I wasn't given the records. I was 14 given the records of May 2009 and your name was not 15 on it. 16 MR. WEISS: Mr. Tuccio, we've been down 17 this road. If there is something else that
- will produce it if we have it. 20 Q Your training was in May 2009 and you

you are looking for, put it in writing and I

- began work around June 1, 2009? 21
- 22 Yeah, around there, yeah. Α
- 23 Now, you still work for ISS Action Q
- 24 Security?

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25 Α Yes.

- GLORIA NOEL 1 2 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 3 Assumes facts not in evidence. Is that correct? But the cold air 4 0 5 would blow in; is that correct? So it would be cold 6 in the bag room? 7 Let me tell you my experience. Α 8 The doors, some of the doors were open, 9 some were closed. The doors would be open if a 10 particular airline is using that particular conveyer 11 belt, if not, it was closed. 12 Whenever we, you know, the conveyer belt is in operation for, like, Avianca for example, 13 sometimes we used to go early before loading, so 14 15 while we were in there, if it gets really, like, 16 freezing, like, cold, the guys would pull the door 17 and one time to, you know, put the luggage on the little trolly to take it to the plane, obviously it 18 wouldn't open up. 19
- 20 Q Okay. Now, on these sheets I gave you
- 21 there were 12 sheets. All right.
- 22 MR. WEISS: 13.
- 23 Q All right. There are 12 sheets which
- 24 have your name in the bag room for November,
- 25 December 2009 and January 2010.

1 GLORIA NOEL 2 Now, that's about 12 weeks. So you 3 were on the bag room about once a week; is that 4 correct? 5 Probably. Α 6 You were not assigned that everyday? Q 7 Α No. 8 Q No, you were not. 9 When you were not assigned there, where 10 did you work? 11 Α In the jet bridge, jet way, you know, 12 different. Sometimes on the tarmac. 13 So would I be correct in saying you Q were not stuck in any one job? 14 15 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 16 And you were not stuck day to day 17 working on an outside post, sometimes you would be outside, sometimes you would be inside? 18 19 Α Yeah. 20 That's correct. Q 21 MR. TUCCIO: Did you want to make a 22 phone call? 23 MR. WEISS: I think we answered the

MR. TUCCIO: All right. Thank you for

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                 I have no further questions.
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    MR. WEISS:
                 Mr. Tuccio asked you about Delta 1 on
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     the second floor of departure. Departure is on the
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     second floor; that's still outside, right?
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                 Yeah, departure.
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     me in I'm wrong, there's a road that goes in front
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     of the terminal and it's outside, right?
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                 Yes.
                 Where is Delta 1?
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                 It's -- there's levels.
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     inside the building or outside the building?
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     right?
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To get warm?

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- 2 had to, you know, stay there. If traffic got heavy
- 3 you have to go out and direct, but then, you know,
- 4 you have the options to periodically come in and
- 5 then you would get, like, breaks, another security
- 6 would give us a 15 minute break.
- 7 Q While you were assigned to Delta 1 you
- 8 saw a mix of people of color?
- 9 A Yes, definitely.
- 10 Q When you were assigned to Charlie 2,
- 11 you saw a mix of people of color?
- 12 A Yes, all my posts were mixed.
- 13 Q Like Delta 1, is there an ability to go
- 14 into the building and still remain at the post to
- 15 warm up?
- 16 A No, Delta 1 is no -- is only, um, Delta
- 17 1, if I remember correctly, Delta 1 and Delta 2 was
- 18 the same. One side to the other one. I believe the
- 19 east side was Delta 1, if I remember correctly, and
- 20 then the west side was Delta 2, I believe.
- 21 Q That was outside?
- 22 A Yes. Outside, you know, on the
- 23 second -- on the second part.
- 24 Q Yeah, I've been there.
- 25 Charlie 2, is an outside post; to your

- 1 GLORIA NOEL
- 2 recollection; is that true?
- 3 A Yes, as far as I can remember, Charlie
- 4 2 is outside.
- 5 Q And that's downstairs?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q And if you wanted to, your
- 8 recollection, not me, you, if you're there in
- 9 December and it's cold and it's 2009, you can go
- 10 into the building to warm up?
- 11 A That's just Delta.
- 12 Q That's only Delta?
- Okay. But you have breaks.
- 14 A Yes, but with Charlie 3 you have a
- 15 break, Charlie 1 you do get breaks, you have 15
- 16 minute breaks.
- 17 Q Or you have relief, right?
- 18 A Yeah, relief, right. And you get your
- 19 lunch.
- MR. WEISS: I have no other questions.
- MR. TUCCIO: I have one other question.
- 22 CONTINUED EXAMINATION BY
- 23 MR. TUCCIO:
- Q In terminal 4 there are other posts
- 25 with other names, Romeo and other posts inside the

ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATE OF NEW YORK) :ss COUNTY OF I, GLORIA NOEL, hereby certify that I have read the transcript of my testimony taken under oath in my deposition of December 9, 2013; that the transcript is a true, complete and correct record of my testimony, and that the answers on the record as given by me are true and correct. GLORIA NOEL Subscribed and Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ , 20___ NOTARY PUBLIC

CERTIFICATE I, ALICIA ROBERTO, a shorthand reporter and Notary Public within and for the State of New York, do hereby certify: That the witness whose testimony is hereinbefore set forth, was duly sworn by me, and that such testimony is a true record of the testimony given by such witness. I further certify that I am not related to any of the parties by blood or marriage, and that I am in no way interested in the outcome of this matter. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand. Alicia Roberto

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Plaintiff,

-against-

Civil Action No. 12-5506 (JFB) (GRB)

FJC SECURITY SERVICES, INC.,

Defendant.

100 Federal Plaza Central Islip, New York

September 12, 2013 1:37 P.M.

DEPOSITION of FJC SECURITY SERVICES, INC., the

Defendant herein, by EFRAIN SANTIAGO, taken pursuant
to Subpoena, and held at the above time and place
before Ginnette Corr, a stenotype reporter and Notary
Public of the State of New York.

Approximately how many times per year

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1 EFRAIN SANTIAGO did you train a new class? 2 3 Α I don't recall. 4 Q How many --5 Α They vary. 6 About how many people were in a typical Q 7 class? 8 Α They average anywhere from 10 to maybe 9 20 people. 10 Q What did the training consist of? 11 Company orientation, security quard 12 responsibilities and knowledge of the locations 13 where they're working in the airport. 14 Q How many hours per day and how many 15 days was the training for an airport security 16 agent? 17 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 18 You may answer if you understand the 19 question. 20 I don't fully understand the question. 21 Q When you were instructor for the 22 training of an airport security agent, how many 23 days did this go on? Did it go on for five days, 24 six days? 25 MR. WEISS: Same objection.

1 EFRAIN SANTIAGO 2 designation D --3 Shows the driver endorsement with the --4 5 Q Which I got as a result of taking that 6 course. 7 Right. Α 8 Q The other --9 This is the first page of the customer Α 10 This is the first page for traffic 11 responsibilities. Fire extinguishers, fire safety 12 (indicating). 13 MR. WEISS: Is that a first page? 14 That's a first page, yes. THE WITNESS: 15 Α This is a first page of memorandums, 16 just company rules and regulations based on 17 company orientation. The use of force. This is 18 all New York State in reference to the laws as to 19 what you can and cannot do as a security officer. 20 Report writing procedures is the next page. 21 is the cover page. Communications, public 22 This is the first page. And the FJC relations. 23 contact list, which is -- this is -- I think this is the only page, if I'm correct, that I gave. 24 25 Just tells you what your contacts are, depending

1 EFRAIN SANTIAGO 2 on where they place you. And this is the first 3 page of the old employee handbook that was given out at that time. 4 5 MR. WEISS: Mr. Tuccio, if you would 6 just indulge me just one question, because I 7 just want to make sure something's clear. 8 I'll ask you, and then I'll confirm. 9 these first pages, this being use of force and then report writing? 10 11 MR. TUCCIO: Yes. 12 MR. WEISS: These are first pages. 13 you understand that? 14 THE WITNESS: Yes. 15 MR. WEISS: Go ahead. I just wanted to 16 make sure that was clear. 17 Would I be correct in saying that this was specialized training for the position of 18 airport security agent? 19 20 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 21 If you understand the question. 22 Α As far as specialized training, no. 23 This was our basic training that security officers normally should have had already when they went 24 25 through the New York State training.

1 EFRAIN SANTIAGO 2 Α Usually, I kept an individual form, 3 which went into each person's file. So if I 4 wanted to know if the person had the training, I 5 just opened their file. It was an individual 6 form. 7 Q Now, I just want to make one thing 8 clear. 9 Is this a training file that's separate from the employee's personnel file? 10 11 Α Correct. 12 Q What did you do with the test scores 13 that new hires in your training class got? 14 Α The training was mostly a review. was a pass or fail evaluation. 15 16 You said they were stored in the training file? 17 Α 18 Correct. 19 0 Are those test scores used in deciding 20 which assignments were given to new employees? Α 21 No. 22 New employees in 2009 were trained by 23 an instructor, John Harding, of Delta Air Lines to 24 be cargo security screeners; is that correct? 25 Α Correct.

1	EFRAIN SANTIAGO
2	Q Again, is this not specialized training
3	for an airport security agent?
4	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
5	If you understand the question, you may
6	answer.
7	A No.
8	Q The Delta Air Lines instructor, John
9	Harding, gave a test at the end of the eight-hour
LO	course; is that correct?
11	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
12	You're still talking about the
L3	screening test, right?
L 4	MR. TUCCIO: We're talking about the
L5	Delta Air Lines yes, cargo security
16	screening test.
17	MR. WEISS: Still objection as to form.
18	You may answer if you understand the
19	question.
20	A Yes.
21	Q Did you correct the test?
22.	A No.
23	Q What was done with the test scores?
24	A Delta Air Lines kept the original.
25	They just gave me conjecte but in our records

1	EFRAIN SANTIAGO
2	Delta was responsible to maintain those records.
3	Q Those test scores are stored in the
4	training folder; is that correct?
5	A Just the attendants that I had,
6	attendance sheet, which had the scores on them.
7	It's basically keeping track of the attendants,
8	who was there. Delta kept the originals.
9	Q You kept the attendance sheet, which
10	did not have the scores on them? Is that what
11	you're saying?
12	A I said it did have the scores.
13	Q Now, are the test scores from the cargo
14	security screener test used to decide whether or
15	not an airport security agent got assigned to
16	Building 20 doing the testing of luggage for
17	traces of explosives?
18	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
19	You may answer if you understand it.
20	A I don't fully understand the question.
21	MR. WEISS: Would you repeat the
22	question?
23	(The requested portion of the record
24	was read back by the reporter.)
25	A Yes.

1	EFRAIN SANTIAGO
2	Q Also, did you not did you teach a
3	one-day class on driving a vehicle on the Tarmac
4	at JFK Airport?
5	A No.
6	Q You did not teach this class on airport
7	security agent?
8	A Then I'm misunderstanding your
9	question.
10	MR. TUCCIO: Can you read the question
11	back for me?
12	(The requested portion of the record
13	was read back by the reporter.)
14	Q Did you also teach a one-day class on
15	driving a vehicle on the Tarmac at JFK Airport?
16	That is that class in Exhibit 1.
17	A I gave the Port Authority AOA driver
18	safety course, which is a basically a four-hour
19	training class.
20	Q Is this not specialized training for an
21	airport security agent?
22	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
23	You may answer if you understand the
24	question.
2.5	A No.

1	EFRAIN SANTIAGO
2	Q Did you give a test at the end of this
3	one-day course?
4	A Yes.
5	Q Did this result in the designation DR1
6	or EV on the ID badge given by the Port Authority
7	of New York and New Jersey?
- 8	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
9	A If you passed the test, Port Authority
10	decides if they're going to issue you a driver
11	status, which is the DR1.
12	Q What did you do with the test scores?
13	A I put them in the individual training
14	file.
15	Q Are the test scores from the test for
16	driving a vehicle on the Tarmac used to decide
17	whether or not an airport security agent gets
18	assigned to driving Rover 1 or Rover 2 at JFK
19	Airport?
20	MR. WEISS: Objection.
21	A No.
22	MR. WEISS: Just so the record is
23	clear, Mr. Tuccio, Rover 1 and Rover 2,
24	that's just a vehicle, right?
25	Q He wants you to answer.

1	EFRAIN SANTIAGO
2	THE WITNESS: It's a position. It's
3	just a driving position. It's like a call
4	sign for a driving position.
5	MR. WEISS: Go ahead.
6	THE WITNESS: Just so they can identify
7	people easier, who's working where.
8	Q On what basis are new employees given
9	their first assignment? There has to be some
10	basis for this.
11	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
12	A I do not know.
13	Q Did you influence the placement of new
14	hires on their first assignment in any way?
15	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
16	A No.
17	Q This refers the question to May 2009.
18	What were the names of the other
19	employees and their positions in the personnel
20	department?
21	A I do not recall who they were at the
22	time.
23	Q Was one of them Louise Davis?
24	A Louise was a dispatcher.
25	Q Did Louise Davis speak Spanish?

1	EFRAIN SANTIAGO
2	Assumes facts not in evidence. You may
3	answer if you know.
4	A No.
5	Q Do you still work in any capacity for
6	FJC Security Services?
7	A No.
8	Q Why did you separate from FJC?
9	A Other employment.
LO	Q Did you leave voluntarily?
11	A Yes.
L2	Q Did the test scores of your four or
L3	five-day training class, basic training, or the
L 4	test scores of your one-day driving class or the
L5	test scores of the one-day cargo screening class
L6	have any influence on the first assignment given
L7	to a new employee?
L8	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
L9	You may answer if you understand that
20	compound question.
21	A No.
22	Q Do you remember an employee named
23	Justin Avery in your general training class of
24	May 2009?
25	A I do not recall.

1 EFRAIN SANTIAGO 2 you. 3 MR. WEISS: I have just one. 4 EXAMINATION BY 5 MR. WEISS: 6 Mr. Santiago, I have a question. Q 7 testified in response to Mr. Tuccio's question whether the screening scores -- he asked you 8 9 whether the screening scores for cargo screening at Building 75 dictated or determined who got the 10 11 assignment for cargo screening, and you said yes. 12 What level of score dictates the 13 assignment or could you explain that, actually, 14 what that means, what your yes means? 15 It's basically a pass or fail. So if 16 you pass the course, then you are offered a position. If you do not pass the course, then you 17 cannot get a position. It's mostly basically 18 evaluating each individual on pass or fail. 19 20 MR. WEISS: I have no further 21 questions. I do have one other question. 22 Excuse me. 23 So any guard, any airport security 24 guard that has passed the screening test -- as in P, meaning passed -- is eligible for this 25

EFRAIN SANTIAGO assignment? Α Yes. Regardless of experience or anything else? Α Correct. MR. WEISS: I have no further questions. (Time noted: 2:19 p.m.)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATE OF NEW YORK ss: COUNTY OF I, EFRAIN SANTIAGO, hereby certify that I have read the transcript of my testimony taken under oath in my deposition of September 12, 2013; that the transcript is a true and complete record of my testimony, and that the answers on the record as given by me are true and correct. EFRAIN SANTIAGO Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2013. day of (NOTARY PUBLIC)

2	CERTIFICATE
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5	I, GINNETTE CORR, a shorthand reporter
6	and Notary Public within and for the State of
7	New York, do hereby certify:
8	That the witness, whose testimony is
9	hereinbefore set forth, was duly sworn by me,
10	and that such testimony is a true record of the
11	testimony given by such witness.
12	I further certify that I am not related
13	to any of the parties by blood or marriage, and
14	that I am in no way interested in the outcome of
15	this matter.
16	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set
17	my hand.
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SAMUEL TUCCIO,

Plaintiff,

-against-

Case No:

CV-12-05506-JFB-GRB

FJC SECURITY SERVICES, INC.,

Defendant.

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DATE: August 15, 2013

TIME: 10:23 a.m

DEPOSITION of the Plaintiff, SAMUEL TUCCIO, taken by the Defendant, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, held at the U.S. District Court, 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York 11201, before Scott Torrance, a shorthand reporter and Notary Public of the State of New York.

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                           S. TUCCIO
 2
     ability to remember or -- remember or to
3
     comprehend my questions this morning?
 4
          Α.
                No.
5
          Q . .
                Are you on any medication that will
 6
     impair your ability to testify or remember or
 7
     understand my questions this morning?
 8
          Α.
                No.
9
                When were you first employed by FJC
10
     Security Services?
                Initially, April 20th -- well,
11
     April 28, 2009. I believe that was the first
12
13
     day that I came in. I did not begin getting
14
     paid until the week of May 26th, 2009.
15
                Okay. What was your date of
16
     employment with FJC?
17
          Α.
                Well -- .
18
          Q.
                Strike that. I'm going to rephrase
     that.
19
20
                What was the last day of employment
21
     with FJC?
22
                January 20th, 2010.
          Α.
23
                Were you employed by FJC at any other
          Q.
24
     time, except between those dates?
25
          Α.
                No.
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                           S. TUCCIO
 2
    to August 8th, 2009, correct?
 3
          Α.
                Yes.
 4
          0.
                Okav.
                        So, we're talking about that
 5
      time period, right?
                Yes, that's correct.
 6
          Α.
 7
          Q. During that time period you're listing
 8
      assignments -- you're listing assignments that
 9
      were available at that terminal during that
      time, correct?
10
11
          Α.
                That's correct.
12
          Q.
                Okay. And which terminal was that?
13
          Α.
                Terminal 4.
14
          Q.
                What airport?
15
          Α.
                John F. Kennedy Airport, in Jamaica.
16
          Q.
                What airline is that, if you know?
17
          Α.
                Well, there are different airlines at
18
     the airport.
19
          Q.
                Okay.
20
          Α.
                There's more than one.
21
          Q.
                It's not just one, okay.
22
                During that time period, were you
23
     assigned to driving the patrol car?
24
          Α.
                Never.
25
          Q.
                You mention Bravo 3. Oh, there's
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Yes. And this was only after I had 3 complained to my supervisors that how come I'm 4 always -- I'm never in an inside post. 5 How about Romeo? Is Romeo all by Q. itself or is there a --6 7 Α. Okay. Well, Romeo, I believe it's 8 kind of a rolling post around the airport. 9 Q. Okay. 10 I believe that person, um, goes around 11 and relieves the other guards for lunch and --12 0. That's relief? 13 Α. It's sort of a relief post, yeah. 1:4 Q. Did you ever do that? 15 Α. I don't -- no, I don't think so, no. 16 Q. If I may, when I say "ever," that's 17 ever during the time period of your employment. 18 Α. I do not remember doing that. 19 0. Okay, Delta 4. Were you ever at Delta 4 during that time period? 20 Um, I don't remember if I was or not. 21 Α. 22 Q. How about Charley 1? 23 Α. Charlie 1? Um, Charlie 1 was inside, 24 um, yes, I was assigned there. 25 Q. How many times were you assigned

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
    there?
 3
          Α.
                I would guess three.
 4
          Q.
                And when were you assigned there?
 5
          Α.
                Um, it was sometime in July, probably
 6
     around the middle of July. Probably the middle
 7
     of July and the end of my --
8
                Just for the record: When you're
          Q.
9
     saying Bravo, Alpha, Romeo, Delta, that's
10
     really B3, A3, R, D4? Is that what you're
11
     doing?
12
          Α.
                Well, no.
                           That's the titles.
     what they called them.
13
14
                Well, Delta is an airline, so, I don't
15
     want to confuse the record.
16
          Α.
                But that's the title --
17
          0.
                You don't mean Delta Airline 4, you
18
     mean --
19
          Α.
                No, no.
20
                Okay, Charlie 2. Were you ever
          Q.
21
     assigned to Charlie 2?
22
          Α.
                I don't think so.
23
          Q.
                And then --
24
          Α.
                Delta 1.
25
                -- Delta 1, that was outside?
          Q.
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S. TUCCIO 1 I was there probably during 2 Α. Yeah. most of June 2009. I was there day after day. 3 I think I was there almost every night the 4 5 first couple of weeks. 6 0. Charlie 3? Charlie 3, outdoors. I was there a 7 Α. lot of times. That's directing traffic. 8 When you -- I'm sorry. Directing Q. 9 traffic? 10 Α. Yeah. 11 12 Where were you directing traffic? Q. Um, outside the airport, Terminal 4, 13 Α. 14 uh, vehicles are allowed to pull up to the airport in front of Terminal 4 and the 15 passengers are supposed to get out and, uh, 16 remove their luggage, you know, and they go 17 18 into the airplane, they go into the air 19 terminal, and then the automobile is supposed 20 to drive away, and sometimes there are, uh, taxis out there, you know, that will provide 21 22 the ride to passengers who are leaving the So, the taxis are out in front and 23 airport. 24 the vehicles coming into the airport to leave a passenger or pick up a passenger would come 25

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there and my job would be to stand outside, you know, wearing a -- a vest that would be colored orange and white with my, uh, hat and uniform on and having a whistle in my hand and blowing the whistle and urging the people to move on and many times they would not move on. would, uh, answer you back and, um, be very rude doing this and this would be -- the, uh, taxis that would be there, they were -- they were not supposed to be there, but some of them would park there for long periods of time. would have to tell them to move on or you would, uh, call a tow truck and then they would wait until you're -- you're on your two-way radio and you would ask the tow truck be dispatched to Terminal 4 and then suddenly they would leave.

Q. Okay. So, Charlie 3 is the parking --

A. Yeah, Charlie 3 -- I believe Charlie 3 and Charlie 4 are both -- Charlie 4 is a little different and then I believe it's, uh, you're standing way out in front of Terminal 4 as the cars come in and you direct them. You tell them to move on with your hands.

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S. TUCCIO
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2
          Q.
                How long were you at Charlie 3?
3
                Um, boy. I was there many times
          Α.
     during June and July, too many times. I was
 4
     there lots of times.
5
6
          0.
                Were you given an initial assignment?
 7
                An initial assignment?
          Α.
8
          0.
                First assignment after you were
     processed in personnel.
9
10
          Α.
                Well, that was it, to work at Terminal
      4 during 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., that shift.
11
12
          Ο.
                So, your initial assignment was
13
      Terminal 4?
14
          Α.
                That's correct.
15
          Q.
                And it was 11 a.m. to --
16
          Α.
                No. 11 p.m.
17
                I'm sorry. 11 p.m. to?
          Q.
                7 a.m.
18
          Α.
19
          Q.
                Got it.
                Did that time period ever change for
20
      the -- from the period June '09 to August '09?
21
22
          Α.
                It was the same hours.
                Same hours?
23
          Q.
24
          Α.
                That's correct.
                What was your initial wage rate?
25
          Q.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
          Α.
                $9 per hour.
3
          Q.
                Did that rate ever change?
 4
          Α.
                No.
5
                Did you have any other benefits, to
          0.
6
     your knowledge?
7
                Did you have health insurance?
                     There's no -- I believe there's
8
          Α.
                No.
     no health insurance.
9
10
          Q.
                Okay.
11
          Α.
                No pension, um, there's no personal
12
     days, there are no sick days, and unless -- I
13
     do not believe there is accrued vacation
14
     unless -- it's possible. You would have to ask
15
     someone, unless they give you a week's vacation
16
     after a year.
                That's fine.
17
          0.
                That's possible, but I do not know
18
19
     about that right now.
20
        0.
                In August you were changed to the bag
21
     room, correct?
22
          Α.
                Okay. In August initially --
23
                That's August '09?
          Q.
24
                Yeah. Well, the next assignment is --
          Α.
25
     I think I may have mentioned it here, was, um,
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 yeah, right here, No. 2. They offered me -- I was called into Building 75 and I spoke to 3 JC -- that's his name. He seems to just prefer 4 5 his initials. I don't know what the rest of his name is. -- and I was given a form and 6 7 asked to sign for a assignment at Building 20, 8 6 p.m. to 2 a.m., Monday through Friday. 9 You're referencing paragraph B? Q. 10 Α. Yes. In which I was supposed --11 you're talking about August 2010. 12 remember, that was very different --13 0. August 2009. 14 Α. Uh, 2009. It was very, very hot. 15 There were 90-degree days there as oppose to 2013, which is very cool, and I was supposed to 16 17 walk outside, around Building 20, for that 18 period of time, 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Well --19 How long were you doing the Q. walk-around? 20 21 No, that was -- that was the 22 assignment. And I turned it down and I told Mr. JC that I wanted to work part-time about --23 I think he said 20 to 24 hours a week. 24 25 Q. Then you were put into the bag room?

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Um, then I believe he called me back 3 the next day, said, "I have another assignment 4 for you, " and when I went into -- I went back 5 to Room 225 in Building 75, he offered me that 6 job at Avianca Airlines. 7 At the bag room? Q. 8 Yes, from, uh, it's about -- it was Α. 9 about four -- I'm not sure of the time. It was about 4 a.m., I think, to 8 a.m. 10 And then, when daylight savings time came into effect, I 11 12 think it was changed from 5 a.m. to 9 a.m. 13 0. Did your wage rate change? 14 Α. No. 15 0. Only your hours changed because you 16 asked for part-time, right? 17 Α. Yes. But it was, again, a graveyard 18 shift, a nightshift. 19 Q. This is the bag room, right? 20 That's, again, the -- in Α. Yes. 21 Building 70 -- in Building -- Terminal 4 -- you 22 know, the airplane terminal is a very big 23 building, but really, attached to the building 24 is another section that is the cargo area, 25 okay, where the -- where cargo is loaded into

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
     the airplanes and the bag room was in the cargo
 2
 3
      section of Building 4.
 4
          Q.
                Okay. So, the bag room was in the
 5
     cargo area?
 6
          Α.
                Yeah.
 7
          Q.
                And you accepted that assignment,
      correct?
 8
 9
          Α.
                Yes.
10
          Q.
                And you were in the bag room until you
     were terminated January 20, 2010?
11
12
          Α.
                Yes.
13
          Ο.
                At the -- if I remember correctly, at
     the 4 a.m. to 8 a.m. or 5 a.m. to 9 a.m. --
14
15
          Α.
                Right.
16
          Q.
                -- 24 hours a week?
17
          Α.
                Well, uh, five days a week.
18
          Q.
                Five -- I'm sorry.
19
          Α.
                Yeah.
20
          Q.
                Five days a week.
                                    So --
21
          Α.
                I think it actually -- I think it
22
     actually started on Tues -- really Tuesday
23
     morning. I think it was Tuesday morning.
24
     Wednesday morning, Thursday morning, Friday
25
     morning. I think the last shift would have
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
     been really Saturday morning.
 3
          0.
                So --
 4
          Α.
                It --
 5
          Q.
                I'm sorry. Go ahead.
 6
          Α.
                So, you know, you could think of it as
 7
     Monday night, but it was really Tuesday through
      Saturday morning, so, it was four hours a day.
 8
     Five times four is 20 hours.
 9
10
          Q.
                So, it's not 24, it's 20 hours?
11
          Α.
                That's correct.
12
          Q.
                Okay. Let's go off the record for a
13
      second.
14
                (Whereupon, a discussion was held off
15
            the record.)
16
                Everything that I have of you, so, I
     didn't want to kill trees just to give you more
17
18
     paperwork that you already have.
19
          Α.
                Right.
20
          Q.
                Okay.
21
                MR. WEISS: I want to mark this as
22
            Defendant's Exhibit B, which purports to
23
            be a copy of Mr. Tuccio's personnel
24
            file.
25
                (Whereupon, Defendant's Exhibit B, a
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
            copy of Mr. Tuccio's personnel file, was
            marked for identification as of this
3
            date by the reporter.)
4
5
         0.
                Mr. Tuccio, you're going to have lots
6
     of opportunity -- I've given you a copy of your
7
     personnel file and I'm going to reference a
8
     Bates number for that purpose. We're going to
     go back and forth a little bit, so just bear
9
     with me.
10
                I'm going to show you Bates No.
11
12
     D000044, dated May 15th -- I'll put it in front
13
     of you -- May 15th, '13, 2013. 45 is for the
14
     identical copy. So, I just you want to take a
     look at that page.
15
16
         Α.
                Now, what did you say the date was?
     May 21st?
17
18
          Q.
                I believe so.
19
          Α.
                Yes.
                Isn't that your initial assignment?
20
          0.
21
          Α.
                Uh, yes, looks like it.
22
          Q.
                And if you look at that, the week, is
23
     that your signature at the bottom?
          Α.
                Yeah.
24
25
                You're referencing the signature on --
          Q.
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1
                          S. TUCCIO
 2
     to your left?
 3
         Α.
                Yeah.
 4
          0.
                And just so the record is clear:
 5
     There's a calendar in the top of that. Is that
 6
     the -- is that that shift that you mentioned?
 7
     You said that --
 8
         Α.
                Yes.
 9
         0.
                -- your Terminal 4 shift?
10
         Α.
                Yes. And it says -- on the date -- it
11
     says May 26th, 2009 is the start date.
12
              Okay. So, that's your initial
         Q.
13
     assignment?
14
              Yes, that's correct.
         Α.
15
         Q.
                Okay.
                       Thank you.
16
                That assignment, aside from the
17
     walk-around assignment that you mentioned and
18
     the bag room, is the assignment you were in
19
     from June '09 to August '09, correct?
20
         Α.
                Yeah. I think it was August 8th.
21
     believe it was -- August 8th I believe was the
22
     last -- I'm sorry. Yeah, I think it was --
23
     August 8th was the last day that I worked till
24
     this -- August 8th was the last day that I
25
     worked that --
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
          Q.
                That assignment?
 3
          Α.
                Yes.
                      And I think I started Avianca, I
 4
     believe it's August 11th.
 5
          Ο.
                Let's go back to this. Now, the bag
     room was inside a building, correct?
 6
 7
          Α.
                It was inside -- well, I quess you --
 8
     it's inside cargo, the cargo building.
 9
          Q.
                So, inside the cargo building at
     Terminal 4?
10
          Α.
11
                Yes.
12
          Q.
                Just so the record is clear:
13
     that's where Avianca Airlines is?
14
                Well, that's where the belts are for
          Α.
15
     the, uh, the luggage comes down there on a belt
16
     and, um, the baggage handlers load it from the
     belt. They pick it up and they put it on these
17
18
     carts with wheels in it, all right? And then
19
     there were these big, huge garage doors, I
20
     don't know, eight, nine, ten of them, and they
     go out the garage door and the airplane is
21
     right outside the garage doors. It's only a
22
    few feet.
23
24
          0.
                Got it.
25
          Α.
                And that would be an A380 or A3 -- I
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S. TUCCIO 1 2 think it was A350 or an A320. So, you're referring to the plane? 3 Q. Α. Yes. A 500-passenger plane or a 4 5 300-passenger plane. 6 Even though the -- the bag room's in 7 the building, don't forget you have these big 8 garage doors that are open all the time, you 9 know? You got the guys who wheel the luggage 10 out to the airplane, empty it into the 11 airplane, come back in with the carts, you know, and the carts usually have like -- it's 12 13 almost like a forklift that's attached to the 14 carts. It's a motorized -- it's -- it's a motorized -- it's like a motorized forklift, 15 16 except it's -- it doesn't -- you know, it 17 doesn't lift pallets, it just -- it's attached 18 to the carts, maybe two or three of them at a 19 time, and it wheels them out into the tarmac. 20 So, you were -- you maintained the Q. 21 post in the bag room from August until your 22 termination on January 2010, correct? That's correct. 23 Α. 24 And it didn't change at any time 25 during that time?

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 My assignment was just that one, the Α. 3 bag room. That was the original assignment 4 given to me. When I signed in the timesheets, 5 to the left of the column it would have bag 6 room. 7 Q. Let's go back. Let's get back to the 8 earlier time period. 9 So, did you observe -- were there 10 other -- you referenced Justin Avery and I just 11 want to keep this organized. Did Justin Avery 12 work in the bag room? 13 Α. Uh, no. 14 Q. Okay. 15 Well, I never saw him in the bag room. 16 Now, whether -- he may have worked there 17 another time. As far as -- I never saw him. 18 He did not work with me. So, I don't know if 19 he was ever assigned there during another 20 period of time. I don't know anything about 21 that. 22 Q. Did Lowel Caraballo work with you? 23 Α. In the bag room? No. 24 Did Justin Avery ever work with you in 25 the earlier period --

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
                Yes, at Terminal 4. He began the same
          Α.
 3
     time I did.
 4
          Q.
                Did you ever observe Mr. Avery inside
 5
     the terminal?
 6
          Α.
                Yes.
 7
          Q.
                Did you ever observe him posted inside
 8
     the terminal?
 9
          Α.
                Yes.
10
                So, just to focus it in a latter
11
     period after August: He didn't work in the bag
12
     room with you?
13
                I never saw him in the bag room.
14
          Q.
                Okay. But in the earlier period, you
15
     did -- you observed him inside -- posted
16
     inside?
17
                Inside and outside he would be, uh,
18
     assigned to Charlie 1 or sometimes there's a
19
     post inside the, uh, inside the building. I
20
     believe it's called Charlie 3 --
21
                And this is a Caucasian gentleman?
          Q.
22
                -- or Charlie 2.
          Α.
23
          Q.
                Charlie 2.
24
                This is a Caucasian gentleman?
25
          Α.
                Yes.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
                Well, I should say -- I should say
3
     Charlie 1. That would be in the lobby of, um,
     Terminal 4. There's a front lobby nearest the
4
5
     driveway. When the people come in to get into
6
     the terminal, there's a main front door.
7
          Q.
                And that's where you've seen Mr. Avery
8
     posted?
9
          Α.
                Yeah, he would be there, and I believe
10
     I also saw -- he was also on, um, I should
11
     say --
1.2
                You changed --
          Q.
13
                Charlie -- Charlie 3 or something
14
     would be the outdoor post. He was also in
15
     Charlie 3.
16
          Q.
                You changed the digits a couple of
17
     times.
18
          Α.
                Yeah.
19
          Q.
                So, he's at Charlie 1 and Charlie 3?
20
          Α.
                And Charlie 3, yes.
21
          Q.
                And Charlie 1 was the lobby?
                Yes.
22
         ` A .
23
          Q.
                That's inside?
                Yes. And Charlie 3 would be outdoors.
24
          Α.
25
          Q.
                Outdoors.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
                And he's a white gentleman?
3
          Α.
                Yes.
 4
          Q.
                Did you ever observe, during the
5
     earlier period, before August, when you were at
6
     Terminal 4, people -- guards of color posted
7
     outside?
8
         Α.
                Yes.
9
                Do you understand what I mean by
          0.
      "people of color"?
10
11
          Α.
                Excuse me?
12
          Q.
                Do you understand what I mean by
      "people of color"?
13
14
          Α.
                Yes. Black skin color.
15
          Q.
                African-American?
16
                Well, a person of black skin.
          Α.
17
     know if they were African-Americans.
18
     could be Jamaican or Dominican or Haitian.
19
         Q.
                Did you ever observe Hispanic guards
20
     posted outside? Or Hispanic descent I think is
     the --
21
22
         Α.
                Yes, people appeared to be Hispanic
23
     sometimes on -- well, I should say not so much
24
     on my shift. I should backtrack a bit.
25
                That's all right, sir. I'll --
          Q.
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 during the few weeks that I saw him there. 3 Did you ever observe African-Americans 4 directing traffic out in front of Terminal 4? 5 Α. Yes. 6 Q. Did you ever observe Hispanic, I mean 7 quards? Just so we're clear, guards. 8 Α. Uh, I do not know if there were Hispanic people there. I'm only talking about 9 my shift now, 11 to 7. 10 11 Q. All right. 12 Α. I'm not aware of -- there was a, uh, the man who was a supervisor of that post, 13 14 outdoor post, Charlie 3, was a white man. don't remember what his name was. 15 16 Q. You're talking about the tour 17 supervisor? 18 Α. Um, yeah, like a tour supervisor, 19 yeah. 20 Q. And was he the tour supervisor for the entire period that you were there? 21 22 Α. No. There would be another man, 23 another tour supervisor that would be also --24 Q. And you don't recall the name of the 25 tour supervisor who was there? Not the one --

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
          Q.
                Or is this something that -- let me
 3
     finish.
 4
                This is something that you were
 5
     standing there while someone was telling her to
6
     do this?
 7
          Α.
                Okay. Let me backtrack --
8
                Sir, just please answer the question I
          Q.
9
     asked you, please.
10
                Okay. She worked -- she would be --
          Α.
11
     she would be outside guarding the airplane and
12
     sometimes she -- when the supervisor would come
13
     back by Mr. Cabalaro (phonetic), Alberto, um,
14
     she would ask him, you know.
15
          Q.
                You mean Alberto Cabanilla?
16
          Α.
                When I checked the sign-in --
17
          Q.
                Slow down.
18
          Α.
                I --
19
          Q.
                Slow down. Just take a breath.
20
          Α.
                Okay.
21
                Are you referring to Alberto
          Q.
22
     Cabanilla?
23
          Α.
                Cabanella (phonetic).
24
          Q.
                I don't think that's his name, but
25
     okay.
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1
                          S. TUCCIO
 2
                Is that the tour supervisor that
 3
     you --
 4
         Α.
                He's the supervisor, yes.
 5
         Q.
                Now, were you present when the tour
 6
     supervisor -- this tour supervisor sent her to
     the tarmac? Did you hear that?
 7
 8
         Α.
               Okay.
                       Um --
9
         Q.
                Are you thinking about it?
10
         Α.
                Okay.
                       You're asking me if I heard him
11
     send her out there? Um, no, I guess I was not
12
     present when she -- I saw her out on the
              Maybe that's the correct --
13
     tarmac.
14
         Q.
                So, you observed her on the tarmac?
15
         Α.
                Yes, standing beside the airplane.
16
                As you sit here today, you don't know
         ο.
17
     the circumstances how she ended up on the
18
     tarmac, you just observed her there?
19
         Α.
                That's correct. But I checked those
20
     sign-in sheets, you know, and she would be
21
     assigned in the sign-in sheets to the bag room,
     all right? But the same thing happened to me.
22
23
     I would be assigned to the bag room, but you
24
     would be taken -- but we would be, uh, outside
25
     in the, uh, on the tarmac.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
     That's inside, right?
 3
          Α.
                Yes.
 4
                And this is a white woman?
          Q.
 5
          Α.
                Yes.
 6
              By the way, for the record, the
 7
     complaint references Supervisor Alberto
     Cabanilla. I don't know how that's pronounced?
 8
 9
     That's C-a-b-a-n-i-l-l-a, according to the
10
     complaint. Is that the tour supervisor you
     were referring to?
11
12
          Α.
                That's correct.
13
          0.
                Going back to the post. During this
14
     time period of June '09 to August '09, did you
15
     observe African-American guards driving the
16
     patrol car?
17
         Α.
                Did I observe, um, African-American
     you're saying. Well, the two people -- there
18
19
     was a man, I think, named Sungay, S-u-n-g-a-y,
2.0
     was the first name, and I -- I forgot his last
21
     name, but it's on those sheets you gave me
22
     yesterday. I believe he drove it and I
23
     believe --
24
                He was Afro-American?
          Q.
25
          Α.
                He's not Afro-American, but, um --
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S. TUCCIO
1
2
          Q.
                Dark skin?
3
          Α.
                I quess dark skin.
 4
                A person of color?
          Q.
5
                Yeah. Well, I quess you'd call that,
          Α.
6
     but --
 7
          Q.
                Did you observe --
          Α.
                Yeah.
8
9
          Q.
                Go ahead.
10
          Α.
                Yeah.
11
          Q.
                Go ahead.
12
          Α.
                I think he was there, I think, most of
13
     the time.
                Did you observe Hispanics driving the
14
          Q.
15
     patrol car during that time period?
16
                I, uh, I -- you know, the patrol car,
     the rover, you know, I would -- it would be out
17
     on the tarmac, you know. I would be inside
18
     doing my job, so, I was not able to see who was
19
     driving the rover. It would be out all over
20
21
     the airport, you know, patrolling the airport
     where I would not be able to see who the driver
22
23
     was.
24
                Did you observe Afro-Americans at
          Q.
     Bravo 3?
25
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
          Α.
                Yes.
 3
                Same question. Did you observe
          Q.
 4
     Hispanics at Bravo 3?
 5
          Α.
                Uh, I do not know if they were
     Hispanic or not.
 6
 7
          0.
                Did you observe Afro-Americans at
     Alpha 3?
 8
9
          Α.
                Yes.
10
                Did you observe Caucasian employees at
11
     Bravo 3, aside from yourself?
12
                Um, I can't say at this point.
          Α.
13
     don't remember.
14
                Did you observe Caucasian employees at
          Q.
15
     Alpha 3?
16
          Α.
                Uh, yes.
                I don't know if I asked you this
17
          Q.
18
      question. If I did, I apologize.
19
                Afro-Americans at Alpha 3?
20
          Α.
                Well, let me put it this way.
21
          Q.
                People of color.
22
                I --
          Α.
23
                People of color.
          Q.
24
          Α.
                I don't know if they were
25
     Afro-American, but black skinned people.
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Q. People of color? 3 Α. People with black skin. 4 Q. Did you observe -- I may have asked 5 you this question -- any Hispanics at Alpha 3? 6 Α. I don't know if anybody was Hispanic, 7 I do not know. 8 Now, let me just point out something 9 that I -- you know, every single day I am not 10 able to see who was on these posts. 11 0. I understand. Let me ask you this 12 question. How did you get -- during this time 13 period, how did you get to work in the morning? 14 Okay. Um, I would take the Long 15 Island Railroad from Hicksville railroad 16 station --17 Q. Okay. -- to Jamaica and then from there 18 19 there is the air train that takes you to JFK Airport. 20 21 Q. When you walked to your post, your 22 initial post off of the bag room, when you 23 walked to the post, were you able to observe 24 every day these posts as you went past them? 25 Α. I was not able to observe them every

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
          Α.
                Um --
3
          0.
                Where is Delta 4? I know it's at the
 4
     airport, but where is Delta 4?
5
          Α.
                I believe that's inside, on the second
6
      floor of the terminal of Terminal 4.
 7
          Q.
                Did you see a white guard at Delta 4?
                Um, probably, probably.
8
          Α.
9
          Q.
                Did you see a person of color guard at
10
     Delta 4?
11
          Α.
                Yes.
12
                I'm going to put -- how about
          Ο.
13
     Hispanic? Did you see a Hispanic guard --
14
                I don't know if -- I don't know if
15
     there were Hispanic people assigned there.
16
                How about Delta -- how about Charlie
17
      1?
         Did you see a white quard at Charlie 1?
18
          Α.
                Yes.
19
                Did you see a person of color guard at
20
     Charlie 1?
21
          Α.
                Yes.
22
          0.
                Did you see Hispanic at Charlie 1?
23
          Α.
                I don't know if it was Hispanic, they
24
     were Hispanic or not.
25
          Q.
                Okay. Did you see a person of color
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
     at Delta 1, guard?
 3
                Did -- repeat the question.
 4
          Q.
                I'll withdraw that.
 5
                That was your assignment, correct?
                Yes.
 6
         Α.
 7
                Delta 1, Charlie 3 and Charlie 4,
          Q.
     that's you?
8
9
         Α.
                Yeah.
10
          Q.
                Got it.
                         Okay.
11
                You don't know the circumstances of
12
     these other guards at these other posts
13
     starting at Bravo 3 to Charlie 2 and 1 and
14
     Delta 4, Romeo and Alpha 3, do you?
15
         Α.
                What do you mean by circumstances?
16
                Their assignments, why they've been
17
     posted there. You don't know that, do you?
18
     You're basing your representation -- your
19
     allegations on what you're observing?
     don't know the circumstances, correct?
20
21
         Α.
                Uh, well --
22
         Q.
                Yes or no, sir?
23
         Α.
                I would say yes, I did know the
24
     circumstances of some people.
25
         Q.
                But you don't know why they were
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S. TUCCIO
1
2
     observed, right?
3
          Α.
                That's correct.
                There's nothing else, other than what
4
          Q.
     you've observed, correct?
5
6
          Α.
                Uh, and also I went through the
7
     sign-in sheets yesterday and, um, I noticed on
8
     the sign-in sheets that there were two
9
     employees that I noticed that, um, were black
10
     employees.
                How do you know they were black?
11
          Q.
12
                Oh, because I worked with them.
          Α.
13
                Which employees are you talking about?
          0.
14
          Α.
                One of their names was Stevenson.
     name him somewhere in the complaint.
15
                We'll get there.
16
          Q.
17
          Α.
                And the other one was Jason something
18
     or other.
                Jason Parkinson?
19
          Q.
20
          Α.
                Parkinson, yes.
21
                And you say he's a black employee?
          Q.
22
          Α.
                Yes, black skin, absolutely.
                He's a person of color?
23
          Q.
24
          Α.
                Yes.
25
          Q.
                And where did you observe him posted?
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S. TUCCIO 1 In the, um, all right. 2 Okay. Α. list that you gave me for Avianca Airlines --3 well, I was assigned to the bag room, he would 4 be assigned to indoor posts all the time, and 5 the same thing with the other guy Stevenson. 6 They were not regular employees, they were 7 people who would come on there to get overtime 8 assignments and they would be -- they were 9 there lots of times. 10 Your job did not include the 11 assignments of other guards, did it? 12 No. You asked me if I observed 13 black -- people of color working --14 And you had answered that question. 15 Ο. That's my answer. 16 Α. 17 Q. You answered that --Α. Yes. 18 -- question. 19 0. But you don't know the circumstances 20 of the assignment of Mr. Parkinson or, I guess, 21 Stevenson? I think I know who you mean. 22 don't know what the -- you don't know why they 23

were posted where they were posted, do you?

24

25

Α.

Um, no.

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 You're not inside personnel -- inside 3 the personnel department making the 4 assignments, so you don't know, correct? It's 5 not part of your job duties? 6 Α. That's -- that's true. 7 Q. Okay. Let's move on a little bit. 8 In the bag room, after August --9 Α. Now wait. Let me just go back and 10 answer that question a little fully. 11 You said I don't know, but I did 12 mention, as I said in my complaint, many times 13 to Alberto Cabanilla. I asked him to put me on 14 an indoor assignment and he would say, "I can't 15 do it. My hands are tied. You've been 16 assigned by the personnel department to the bag I can't take you out." 17 room. 18 Q. The bag room's inside, in the cargo 19 building? 20 Α. Yeah. 21 Q. Okay. 22 Α. The other supervisors at, um, Terminal 23 4, I also asked them, you know, you're always 24 putting me out in traffic day after day, 25 outside. I'm always in Charlie 3 or Charlie 4.

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 class? 3 Α. That's the training class that was 4 given by, um, the instructor. 5 Q. Well, let me try it this way. 6 did they train you -- what was the training 7 for? 8 Α. This was a training that -- that was 9 on, uh, being an airport agent, given by Efrain 10 D. Santiago, Efrain D. Santiago. It was a 11 training class in Building 75 for five days and 12 it was --13 Ο. Let me ask you a question so he could 14 get it into the record. 15 This was a training class for being an 16 agent at the airport, is what you said? 17 Α. An airport agent. 18 Q. Go ahead, go ahead. 19 Α. Given by Efrain D. Santiago, at the 20 Building 75. There's a classroom right next to 21 Room 225 and it's big enough for about 30 employees. It's got desks and chairs and 22 23 Mr. Santiago was at the blackboard at the front 24 of the building. And also, Mr. Avery was in 25 another class I took inside Room 228. There's

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1
                          S. TUCCIO
2
     a small training class. If you remember, I
3
     sent you a map of the office and right behind
 4
     the dispatchers --
5
                Well, we talked about the location.
         Q.
6
         Α.
                Okay. Yeah. Okay.
                                      There was a
 7
     training class for driving a vehicle on the
8
     tarmac and that results in a lettering on your
     badge that says DV1, which means you are
9
10
     authorized to drive a vehicle on the tarmac,
     and then there's also -- it says EV, which
11
12
     means you're authorized to escort up to two
13
     vehicles on the tarmac. That's on my badge.
                Mr. Tuccio, just so we can get a
14
15
     clarification, this is in Defendant's Exhibit
16
     В --
17
         Α.
                Yes.
18
                -- from your personnel file?
          Q.
19
          Α.
                Yes.
20
                Just for purposes of clarification,
          Q.
21
     that exhibit doesn't -- Exhibit 2 is not part
     of this personnel file, that's just a reference
22
23
     to something else --
24
          Α.
                Yes.
25
                -- that I've already given you.
          Q.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
      is Bates No. -- I can't make it out.
 2
                                              It looks
 3
      like 66, I think.
 4
          Α.
                Yeah.
 5
          0.
                Because it got obliterated. It looks
      like a certificate of attendance --
 6
 7
          Α.
                Yes.
 8
                -- by The Port Authority of New York
 9
      and New Jersey.
10
          Α.
                Yes.
11
          Q.
                Is that for you? It's got your name
12
      on it?
13
          Α.
                Yes.
14
          ο.
                Is that the class that you're
15
      referencing?
16
                Well, I'm referencing, you know, the
17
      class that was given by Mr. Efrain D. Santiago
     and this other class. Mr. Avery was in that
18
19
     also.
20
          Ο.
                Well --
21
                In other words, he was in the same
          Α.
     class as I was in during the month of May of
22
     2009. In other words, they hire a group of 25
23
24
     employees and they train us at the same time.
25
     We all go through the same training --
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Q. Okay. 3 -- for four weeks. Α. 4 There are a couple of certificates in 0. 5 your personnel --Α. Yes. 6 7 Ο. There's this one which is referenced as a security identification display area 8 9 training --10 Α. Yes. -- which I've been told at times is 11 12 referred to as SIDA training, and it's run by 13 The Port Authority? 14 Α. Yes. Did you attend that? 15 Ο. Yes. 16 Α. 17 Q. Okay. Is that the training that 18 you're referencing -- there may be others, but is that the training class you're referencing? 19 20 Um, well, the class would be the Α. 21 group -- the whole group of people who went through this training over a three, four-week 22 23 period. I'm talking about that -- the group of 24 us. We all did the same thing, that class. 25 Well, there's another certificate. Q.

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S. TUCCIO 1 2 Α. Okay. 3 Hold on. Q. 4 So, it's really -- we went to several classes, but I mean, the group of 25 employees 5 who went through the training in May of 2009, 6 7 I'm talking about that. We were altogether, that class. We were all told at the end of the 8 training, at the end of May, we would, you 9 know, then be given different assignments. 10 11 Q. Okay. 12 But we were all -- we were all, like, Α. 13 hired at about the same time and we all went together through the same classes for three or 1.4 15 four weeks. Q. 16 Okay. 17 Α. That's what I meant by "class." Let's go off for a minute. Q. 18 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off 19 the record.) 20 21 Q. So, Defendant's Exhibit B, Bates No. D00026, do you recognize that document? 22 23 Α. Yes. 24 And that's a security guard training 25 certificate issued to you?

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
          Α.
                Uh, annually I get one every year,
3
     yes.
 4
                And that's for your security guard
          Q.
5
     license?
6
          Α.
                That's correct.
7
          Q.
                Okay. So, you had that as a
     qualification of the job at FJC before you
8
     walked in the door?
9
10
          Α.
                Yes.
11
                       Then this is D00027. This is a
          Q.
                Okay.
12
     security guard training certificate, 16 hours.
     Do you recognize that?
13
14
          Α.
                Yes.
15
          Q.
                And that's issued to you, right?
16
          Α.
                Yes.
17
                And what is that?
          Q.
18
          Α.
                Well, in order to work as a security.
19
     guard you have to have a, uh, 16-hour training
20
     course initially, and then every year you are
21
     required to undergo an annual eight-hour
22
     training.
                So, that's part of your licensing,
23
     regardless of where you work, right?
24
25
          Α.
                That's correct.
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S. TUCCIO 1 2 Q. And then the certificate of attendance 3 that I referred to as the SIDA training --4 Α. Yes. 5 Ο. -- that's a four-hour course, correct? 6 That's issued to you, right? 7 Α. Yeah. I don't know if it's four hours, but yeah. 8 9 Q. Well, how long were you in the room 10 with The Port Authority? 11 Α. It was probably about four hours. 12 Ο. Four, okay. 13 And you said there's a training that 14 FJC provided to you? 15 Α. Uh, yes. Five days of training, I believe. 16 17 Q. Was it before the -- before this 18 training that's the SIDA training? 19 Α. No, I believe it was afterward. 20 believe it's the third week of, um, May I wrote 21 the dates of that. See, I started working on 22 the 26th and I believe it was on the Friday 23 before that. It was on a Friday and then we came back, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. 24 25 Q. And that's guard training that FJC

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 provided to you? 3 Α. Yeah, yeah. 4 So, the training class that you're Q. 5 referencing with Justin Avery, is that training class? 6 7 Well, yes. And then on, I believe, Α. 8 the Thursday before I started working I was 9 trained at, um, Delta Airlines, on the use of, 10 um, equipment that would be able to detect, um, 11 different kinds of, uh, bomb residues, you 12 know, such as TNT and other chemicals. 13 Ο. Thursday before --14 Α. It's called the cargo -- cargo 15 screening, where they screen some of the 16 luggage to see if the -- there -- there might 17 be any residues from, uh, some kind of a bomb 18 in it. So, that was on the Thursday before 19 that and Mr. Avery -- the group of us, in the 20 group of -- I think it's 25 or 30 people, we 21 all underwent the same training. 22 So, the Thursday before May 26th, '09, Q. 23 that was --24 Α. Yes. 25 -- bomb detection? Q.

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Α. I believe that was a Thursday. 3 Q. And the third week before May 26th or 4 thereabouts? 5 Α. Yeah. 6 Q. You said the third week of May, Friday 7 before that, was the five-day training with FJC? 8 9 Yes. Α. 10 And that's the training course that you're referencing with Justin Avery? 11 12 Α. Yes. 13 0. And that's the training course that 14 you're referencing to Efrain Santiago? 15 Yes. It may have been four days. Α. think it started on a Friday. It was Monday, 16 17 Tuesday, Wednesday, so, maybe it was four days rather than five days, and on Thursday was the 18 19 training on the, uh, cargo, uh, screening 20 training, and that's an all-day course. And Mr. Efrain Santiago was in attendance on the 21 22 Thursday. He sat in the back of the room and 23 then he helped administer the test at the end 24 of the day. He handed out the sheets and 25 collected the tests and he was the one who

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S. TUCCIO
1
2
     graded them.
3
          Q.
                How do you know that?
 4
          Α.
                     Well, I -- he -- well, he told --
                Oh.
5
     he told us he was grading them. The other man
6
     taught the course, but he was in charge of the
 7
     testing and grading.
                Is Mr. Santiago's of a Hispanic
8
     descent?
9
10
          Α.
                I believe so.
11
          Q.
                What grade did you get?
12
          Α.
                I do not -- you're talking about
13
     the --
14
          0. .
                Mr. Santiago's graded test.
15
          Α.
                Which one?
                The four-day training from FJC.
16
          Q.
17
                I believe the grades -- I -- I would
          Α.
18
     have to guess. It was probably about --
19
          Q.
                Were you given -- let's back up a
20
     minute.
21
          Α.
                They --
22
          Q.
                Were you given a grade?
23
                He did tell us what the score was
          Α.
24
     after he graded it and I -- you know, I believe
25
     it was about 93.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
                So, if I understand your testimony
3
     correctly, you had the guard certificate which
     you had for your licensing?
 4
 5
          Α.
                Yes. It was 93, uh, quard -- fire
6
     quard certification.
7
                Wait a minute. The fire -- there
          Q.
8
     wasn't a question. Let me -- let's not get
     this confused.
9
10
          Α.
                Okay.
                Let's back up for a minute.
11
          Q.
12
          Α.
                Okay. Sorry.
13
                I'll get to the fire guard
          Q.
14
     certification in a minute.
15
          Α.
                Okay.
16
                So, there was guard certification
          Q.
17
     which --
18
          Α.
                Right.
19
                Let me finish. -- guard certification
          Q.
     which you do for your licensing, correct?
20
21
          Α.
                Yes.
22
          0.
                That's the certificate that I showed
23
     you that was D25 or whatever that was.
24
     was the --
25
          Α.
                Eight-hour and 16-hour course.
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S. TUCCIO 1 2 The eight-hour and 16-hour courses? Q. 3 Α. Yes. 4 Then there's the four-day course that Q. 5 was conducted by Efrain Santiago -- . 6 Α. Yes. 7 -- who administered the test and told Q. 8 everybody they were -- he was administering the 9 test, correct? I mean, he was going to score 10 the test? 11 Α. Well -- okay. He tested us on the 12 four-day course, and then on Thursday we came 13 back for cargo screening, we were given another 14 test. 15 Q. Right. And that I do not know what the score 16 17 I got was. 18 Q. Okav. 19 He -- at the end of the day, you know, 20 at 5 o'clock he just, uh, wanted to go home and 21 he did not grade them. And then you had the SIDA training, 22 Q. which I mentioned to you --23 24 Α. Yeah. 25 -- from The Port Authority? Q.

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S. TUCCIO
1
2
                If I understand your testimony, it
3
     wasn't concurrent with the four-day training
     at --
4
5
         Α.
                No.
6
         0.
                -- FJC?
7
                No, it wasn't. It was on a different
         Α.
     day.
8
9
          Q.
                And then you were trained on driving a
10
     vehicle?
          Α.
                Yes.
11
12
                And you were trained on escorting?
          Q.
                Yeah, um, well, yeah, that's part of
13
          Α.
14
     driving the vehicle, yes.
                Well, you mentioned the DV --
15
          Q.
                Yeah, DV --
16
          Α.
                -- on the --
17
          Q.
18
          Α.
                Yeah. And that could be EV.
                Now, I don't have -- I did not have
19
          EP means you can escort up to five people,
20
      EP.
      but that was not on my badge. I think the, uh,
21
22
      policemen -- Port Authority policemen have EP
      on their bandages, but that was not on my
23
      badge.
24
25
          Q.
                Okay.
                        So, that's all the training you
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1 S. TUCCIO received, correct? 2 3 Α. I think there was more, uh, let me 4 see. 5 Well, that was all the -- . 0. 6 Α. I think there was one more class. 7 There was one more class given, uh, by, uh, 8 somebody at the airport. There was a Port 9 Authority training. And there was another 10 class given by, I think, something like JFK 11 Airport or some part of JFK, but there was 12 another day's training. It was a half a day, I 13 believe. Well, isn't The Port Authority 14 15 training, half day, just the SIDA training? A. Yeah, but I believe there was another 16 17 one too. I believe there was another 18 certificate somewhere. I'm pretty sure I did 19 get another one. 20 I'm pretty sure there's only three in Q. there, so . . . 21 22 Okay. Well, if you want, when I get home, I could provided you with it, with the 23 24 other one. 25 Q. Okay.

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S. TUCCIO 1 I have -- probably, if you looked --2 Α. well, let me see. I looked through my personal 3 I believe I have the -- the other 4 records. one. I'm surprised it's not in the . . . 5 Well, I might already have it and I'm Q. 6 7 just misremembering it. 8 Α. See, there would be two other -- yeah, 9 two other certificates --From The Port Authority? 10 Q. -- like that. 11 I don't think they came -- I don't --12 one came from The Port Authority. I think 13 another one came from somebody else at the 14 airport. But I'm pretty sure there are three, 15 three different -- three ones that look like 16 this, you know, almost like a diploma that 17 you're handed. 18 Does it have the word "Port Authority" 19 Q. 20 on it? Um, I don't -- I don't think the other 21 Α. ones have the words Port Authority on it, but 22 it does say that I completed the training 23 24 class. There's my name, the date and I think somebody signed them. 25

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S. TUCCIO 1 2 International Union and that they would be taking out fees. They took out fees. 3 was an initial fee for membership. I think it 4 5 was \$40. And I believe \$40 a month was taken 6 out of my paycheck. 7 Let's go off the record for a moment. Q. 8 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off the record.) 9 Let me show on Defendant's Exhibit B, 10 Bates No. D444419. You checked marked here 11 that you received the -- I can't do it upside 12 13 The FJC sexual harassment, anti-discrimination form that you signed, do 14 15 you recall doing that? 16 Α. Yes. 17 And I believe you also got the terms and conditions of employment. Do you recall 18 signing a document that said that as well? 19 20 Α. Um, yes. 21 ο. In fact, that was an exhibit to a letter that I submitted, that you get a copy of 22 23 yesterday in response to your objection for 24 De Novo review to Judge Bianco as one of the 25 exhibits. Do you remember seeing that

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 yesterday? 3 Α. Yes. 4 It was called terms and conditions of 5 employment. 6 Α. Yup. 7 Q. And that was your signature at the 8 bottom of that? 9 Α. Yes. 10 Mr. Tuccio, I'm going to show you Q. what's been marked as Defendant's Exhibit B. 11 12 It's Bates No. D as in David 000051. 13 recognize that document? It's entitled, for 14 purposes of the record, FJC Security Services 15 Employee Statement. 16 Well, let me read it just to make sure Α. 17 that's it entered into the deposition. 18 Q. No, it doesn't need to be entered. 19 Just read it to yourself. I don't want to burden the record. The transcript's expensive 20 enough. 21 22 Α. Okay. You have highlighted --23 0. It was highlighted ---- to extreme weather conditions for 24 Α. 25 an entire shift.

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Q. Right. 3 Α. That's what you have highlighted. 4 Q. That's not part of the document. 5 That's something my paralegal did. 6 Α. Okay. 7 Q. So, disregard the highlighting. 8 Α. But that's what it says in it. 9 Q. Is that your signature at the bottom 10 of there? 11 Α. Yes. 12 So, you read, understood and signed Q. 13 that document at that time? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Okay. I show you under Defendant's 16 Exhibit Bates No. D000066, entitled FJC 17 Security Services Inc. Aviation, open quote, No 18 Restrictions, close quote, Form. Could you 19 please take a look at that? 20 MR. WEISS: Let the record reflect 21 that the witness is reviewing that 22 document. 23 Α. Okay. I just want to comment that --24 Do you recognize that -- I'll let you 25 respond, but do you recognize the document?

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Α. Yes. 3 0. Did you read and understand the 4 document? 5 Α. Yes. 6 0. And is that your signature at the 7 bottom? 8 Α. Yes. It asks me what requirements or restriction that I have to put them in the 9 10 place below and I put down I want to get Sunday 11 off and Saturday off, if possible. 12 Okay. Well, it's in the document, Q. 13 right? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. Okay. Okay. Now, it also gives me a chance below 16 17 that if there are no restrictions to your days off, shift for hours, I could put down I have 18 19 no restrictions in the space below, which I did-20 not do. 21 Okay. That's in the document. 0. The 22 document speaks for itself. Let's talk about these two individuals. 23 24 This morning, Mr. Tuccio, you handed 25 me a letter referencing --

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1
                          S. TUCCIO
2
                MR. WEISS: Why don't we do this:
3
           Let's mark this as an exhibit for him.
                (Whereupon, Defendant's Exhibit C,
 4
5
           letter, was marked for identification as
6
           of this date by the reporter.)
 7
         Q.
                It is now 12:05. We've been going
8
     from approximately 10:12, 10:15. I suspect the
9
     court reporter's going to want lunch, I suspect
10
     we're going to want a little something to eat
11
     as well.
               Do you want me to go another hour?
12
     Would you like to go for another hour, another
13
     half hour --
14
         Α.
                Another hour. 1 o'clock would be
15
     good.
                You're okay with -- until 1 o'clock?
16
         Q.
17
         Α.
                (Witness nodding.)
                MR. WEISS: Off the record.
18
19
                (Whereupon, a discussion was held off
20
           the record.)
                This morning, Mr. Tuccio, you handed
21
         0.
22
     me what purports to be a letter addressed to
23
     me, which I've marked as Defendant's Exhibit C.
                Yes.
24
          Α.
25
          Q.
                Disregard -- I marked it with my pen.
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1
                          S. TUCCIO
2
     That was inadvertent. But is that the letter
3
     that you provided to me today?
 4
         Α.
                Yes.
 5
                Let's talk about Ms. Sonnia,
          Ο.
 6
     S-o-n-n-i-a, Alvarado --
 7
         Α.
                Yes.
 8
          Q.
                Let me finish the name.
     A-1-v-a-r-d-o.
9
10
          Α.
                Yes.
11
                You reference her as a black woman,
          Q.
12
     name unknown, who regularly worked as an FJC
13
     security guard on the morning, 4 a.m., hyphen,
14
     8 a.m. or 5 a.m., hyphen, 9 a.m., at --
15
          Α.
                Yes.
16
                -- Avianca Airlines in Terminal 4 from
17
     about August 11, 2009 to January 20, 2009.
18
     First of all, let me ask you: Is this an
19
     individual that worked along side your shift
20
     during that time?
21
                Okay. Let me just go down to the
          Α.
22
     name. Um, sometimes on the sign-in sheet she
23
     signed her name S-o-n-i-a, but most of the time
24
     it was spelled like this (indicating). My word
25
     processor tells me Sonia is usually spelled
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S. TUCCIO
1
     Avianca Airlines, that's all.
2
3
                Oh, never mind. That was -- that was
         Q.
     Gloria Noel. Never mind.
 4
 5
                Yes.
         Α.
 6
         Q.
                Okay.
 7
                And according to your sign-in sheets,
          Α.
 8
     she was there regularly, you know, day after
9
     day after day, and she was not one of the
     regulars that I named in my complaint.
10
11
         0.
                So, you don't know if she's Hispanic
12
     or a person of color?
13
         Α.
                I don't know. Well, a black person --
14
     I mean, she had black skin, that's all, okay?
     She's a tall black woman who worked there every
15
     day regularly and she worked on the inside
16
17
     assignments all the time.
18
          Q.
                I think the politically correct
19
     statement for Hispanic is Hispanic -- of
20
     Hispanic descent, but it's --
21
                I do not know, okay?
         Α.
                                       I just .
22
          Q.
                Ms. Gloria Noel --
23
          Α.
                Yes.
24
          Q.
                -- you never met Gloria Noel or --
25
      strike that.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
          Α.
                Yes.
3
          Q.
                Okay.
                      You list a Mr. John Abraham?
 4
                Yes.
          A . .
 5
          0.
                First of all, is he a person of color?
6
          Α.
                John Abraham?
 7
                Yes.
          Q.
 8
          Α.
                No.
9
          Q.
                He's a Caucasian man?
10
          Α.
                Yes.
11
          Q.
                And what is it do you believe he
12
      knows?
13
          Α.
                Um, John Abraham was one of the, uh,
14
      supervisors at Terminal 4 in June of 2009 and
15
      I -- he was terminated during, I think, July of
16
      2009, and I believe that he was terminated
17
     because --
18
          Q.
                Were you involved in the termination?
19
          Α.
                No.
20
          Q.
                Are you giving me a supposition?
21
                I'm just giving you --
          Α.
22
          Q.
                I don't want to know what you believe.
     What you believe is not really of relevance to
23
24
     Mr. Abraham or this case. I just want to know
25
     what, if anything -- why do you list him as
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 being discriminated against by Alberto 3 Cabanilla, and the thing is, they have in their handbook, the employee handbook that they give 4 5 us, and they tell us that if you want to make a complaint, you were supposed to do it step by 6 7 You go to your immediate supervisor and step. 8 make a complaint, and if he does not 9 satisfactory take care of your complaint, the 10 next thing you do is you go to the supervisor 11 of the building. In this case it was 12 Building -- Terminal 4. And then, if you 13 weren't satisfied, the next step is, you would 14 go to the general manager, Mr. James Donohue, 15 and bring the complaint to him, or at the same 16 time you could also during this period, uh, go 17 right to the union rep and talk to Mr., uh, I 18 believe it's Al Dooley. 19 Q. The --20 Those are the procedures. Α. 21 Okay. Let's focus on Mr. Abraham for Q. 22 a minute. Now, if you do not go through the 23 Α. 24 procedures, if you try to jump ahead and go to 25 headquarters, you will be terminated for that.

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Did you make a complaint to 3 Mr. Abraham? 4 Α. Well, I complained to him that, you 5 know, I was wondering why I was always put on 6 traffic and other people who had just been new 7 hires were being put on a nice indoor assignment and, uh, I thought there was -- that 8 I would be moving out of the traffic into 9 10 indoors and that these new employees would be 11 put on traffic and I didn't feel it was very 12 fair and I had been patient, you know? 13 worked there all of June and it was July and --14 0. And was --15 Α. You know --16 Q. Go ahead. -- I felt that, you know, I wanted --17 18 I wanted to move in an indoor assignment 19 because traffic is very, very hard. You're out 20 there in front of the building. Sometimes it's 21 raining, it's very cold, you, uh, have to 22 interface with these, uh, people that have to move their car and some of them will answer you 23 24 back, give you a lot of argument and you have 25 to blow the whistle and, you know, do you see

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S. TUCCIO 1 the way I talk? 2 I understand. Q. 3 I had to holler at the top of my lungs 4 5 sometimes to get people to move their car, to ask the taxi drivers -- tell them, you've been 6 there too long. You have to move it, otherwise 7 we will have it towed. 8 Did Mr. Abraham give you assignments? 9 Q. He gave assignments, yes. 10 Α. Did he give you assignments to 11 Q. 12 traffic? 13 Α. Yes. 14 Ο. And he's a white man? 15 Α. Yes. Okay. Let's go on to the next one. 16 Q. But I felt that the reason why it was 17 Α. 18 explained to me that if you go -- if you do not go through the step-by-step procedure, going to 19 one supervisor and then the next step to the 20 next higher one and the next step the next 21 22 higher one, if you try to jump ahead and go right to the top, I mean go to headquarters, 23 you could get fired for that, and allegedly he 24 25 was fired for doing that.

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
                You don't know that?
          Q.
3
                Well, no. But that's what I was told,
          Α.
4
     okay?
5
                That's what you were told?
          Q.
6
          Α.
                Yes.
7
          Q.
                Who told you?
8
          Α.
                Well, all the employees were talking
9
     about it. He was -- that he --
10
          Q.
                What employees?
11
          Α.
                The other employees that I worked
12
     with.
13
                What other employees?
          Q.
14
                The -- I don't --
          Α.
15
          Q.
                Are you telling me work-place gossip,
16
     Mr. Tuccio?
17
          Α.
                That was -- that was what the
18
     employees said.
19
          Q.
                Okay.
20
          Α.
                So -- okay? So, that was just -- you
21
     know, it's a dangerous consequence to go to
22
     headquarters and make a complaint. You have to
23
     do things step by step, the way the employee
24
     handbook tells you to do it.
25
                You say you complained to Mr. Abraham?
          Q.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
          Α.
                Yes.
3
          0.
                Did you complain to the building
     supervisor?
 4
 5
          Α.
                No.
6
          Q.
                Did you complain to the general
 7
     manager, Mr. Donohue?
8
          Α.
                About -- no.
9
          0.
                Let's go --
10
          Α.
                I did go to the union rep and I
11
     telephoned him in July and -- I mean, I
12
     telephoned the union rep who then said, uh,
13
     Mr. Dooley said, "Oh, gee, I'll get back to
14
            I'll call you back." And then I never
15
     got a call back and I kept calling back his
16
     office, the secretary, and I'd say, "I want to
17
     talk to Mr. Dooley. He said he was going to
18
     get back to me." She said, "Well, he's out in
19
     the field; he's out in Jersey; he's out in" --
20
      "he's sick today; he took a personal day off."
21
     They would always make an excuse and he'd never
22
     get back to me.
                That's the union. I can't control the
23
          Q.
     union.
24
25
          Α.
                Okay.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
     airport, you know, with -- I saw him sometimes
3
     working at the airport.
 4
          Q.
                Outside or inside?
 5
          Α.
                Um, he was working inside.
 6
          Q.
                Okay. Let's go on to -- we talked
 7
     about Justin Avery, we talked about -- that may
 8
     be a different name. Salem Aziz -- I'll come
9
     back to Justin Avery -- is he a person of
     color?
10
11
          Α.
                Salem Aziz I guess is black skinned,
12
     if that's what you mean.
13
          0.
                And what does he know about you?
14
          Α.
                Well, he worked in the rover, I guess.
15
     I -- you know, he always worked in the rover.
          Q.
                The rover being the car?
16
17
          Α.
                The car that -- yeah.
18
          Q.
                So, he drove around the airport?
19
          Α.
                Yes.
20
          0.
                Outside on the tarmac?
21
          Α.
                That's correct.
22
          Q.
                In the cold, in the elements, right?
23
                Well, what do you mean? The car --
          Α.
     the windows are closed, it's air conditioned in
24
25
     the summer and it's heated in the winter.
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 So, when she wasn't with the bag room Q. 3 with you, she was in other places inside? 4 That's correct. Α. 5 0. And I think I spelled Ingrid's name. 6 Let's pass by Cabanilla and Caraballo and I 7 know about James Donohue. Let's talk about 8 Ruby Hooker. MR. WEISS: R-u-b-y and Hooker is 9 10 just the way it sounds. 11 Q. How did she know about you? 12 Α. Ruby Hooker is a regular who worked 13 every day, Monday through Friday, at Avianca 14 Airlines, from August -- when I started, 15 August 11th, when I started at Avianca Airlines, through January 20th. 16 17 Q. So, she was --18 Α. -- a regular. 19 Q. -- a regular? Okay. 20 A regular employee who was employed 21 there every day. And she is, again, a woman 22 who had black skin and worked always an indoor 23 assignment and she always, um, she always, I 24 guess, looked down on me like I was some kind 25 of an inferior person.

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
                Okay. Well, we're not going to talk
 2
 3
     about that, okay?
 4
                Do you speak any other languages, sir?
 5
          Α.
                No.
 6
          0.
                You're not bilingual in any way?
 7
          Α.
                No.
 8
          Q.
                Did you ever observe Ms. Hooker
     outside, maybe on the tarmac?
9
10
          Α.
                Never, never. Always in the inside.
11
          Ο.
                In the bag room?
12
          Α.
                No. Always inside.
13
          0.
                Where?
14
          Α.
                Usually on the jet bridge.
15
          Q.
                Muhamed Khan, you spell it
16
     M-u-h-a-m-e-d K-h-a-n?
17
          Α.
                Right. Yeah, I believe that spelling
18
     is incorrect.
19
          Q.
                Probably. But let me just ask you:
20
     You said that Ms. Hooker was a person of color?
21
          Α.
                She was a black skinned woman.
22
          0.
                Now we're up to Mr. Khan. Is he a
23
     person of color?
24
          Α.
                He has black skin.
25
          Q.
                And what does he know about you or
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S. TUCCIO
1
     2009, he did not have seniority over me.
2
3
                Cecil Santiago -- oh, wait a minute.
4
     That's probably Efrain Santiago, right?
5
          Α.
                Efrain, that's correct. I put down
6
     not sure of first name.
7
          Q.
                Cecil now equals Efrain?
8
          Α.
                Efrain D. Santiago, yes.
9
          Q.
                Okay.
          Α.
10
                Instructor.
                Who's Kevin Stevenson?
11
          Q.
12
          Α.
                Kevin Stevenson --
13
          Q.
              How does he know about you?
14
          Α.
                You didn't ask me. All right.
15
     He was in my class of May 2009. He took all
     the training classes that I did.
16
17
          Q.
                That's why you identified him?
          Α.
18
                Yes.
19
          Q.
                Is he a person of color?
20
          Α.
                Yes.
21
          Q.
                And why is -- so, what?
                Okay. Well, all right. I saw him.
22
          Α.
23
     He would be assigned for a day or two. He had
     a regular 40-hour-a-week job some place and I
24
25
     would be -- I would see him when he would be
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 employees who were Caucasian and worked 3 overtime? 4 Α. There -- there were some. That's --5 yes. 6 Q. Both inside and outside posts? 7 Α. Yes. 8 Q. And that was during the entire time 9 that you were there, from when you were first 10 posted until you were terminated in 11 January 2010, right? 12 Α. Um, well, there were very few 13 Caucasian people, uh, there weren't --14 My question is: You observed 15 Caucasian officers working both inside and 16 outside on temporary overtime assignments? You 17 said there were some? 18 Α. There were some, yes. Most -- most of them were black skinned. 19 20 0. The overtime? 21 Α. Yes. 22 I'm just trying to find a breaking 23 point because it's coming up to 1 o'clock. 24 Mr. Tuccio, JC is the personnel member 25 that you reference?

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1
                          S. TUCCIO
2
     talk about Sunje and then we'll take a break.
 3
     What -- first of all, do you know who Sunje,
 4
     S-u-n-j-e, is?
                       I believe his name should have
 5
          Α.
                Okav.
 6
     been spelled S-u-n-j-a-y, first name.
 7
          Q.
                Okay. Is he a person of color?
 8
          Α.
                Yes. Or a black skinned person, yes.
9
          Q.
                How does he know you? What's relevant
10
     to you in regards to him?
                     Well, I believe he would drive
11
          Α.
                Oh.
12
     the, uh, rover.
13
          Q.
                He drove the rover?
         Α.
14
                Yeah.
                When was he driving the rover?
15
          Q.
16
          Α.
                I saw him sometime -- I don't know the
17
     exact dates.
                So, you don't know the circumstances
18
          Q.
     of his assignment, you're just observing?
19
20
                That's correct.
          Α.
21
                Okay.
                       That's a good place to take a
22
     breaking point. That's why I wanted to do it
23
     that way. We'll come back to it. What do you
24
     say we reconvene at 1:45? Is that good?
25
          Α.
                (Witness nodding.)
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1 S. TUCCIO 2 It is now going on about 1 o'clock. Q. 3 (Whereupon, a recess was taken at 4 12:57 p.m. and the testimony resumed at 5 1:40 p.m.) I just remind you, you're still under 6 Q. 7 oath. You have to say it audibly. Α. 8 Yes. 9 Q. Thank you. 10 Let's talk about the training -- let's talk about Justin Avery and the training course 11 12 and Lowel Caraballo. It's my understanding that you allege 13 14 that whoever scored -- that Caucasian employees 15 were scored higher in that training course that 16 we discussed, that you testified to? 17 Well, they -- we did well. Α. 18 Q. They did well and then they were 19 given -- you say that they were -- you allege 20 that they were given lesser assignments? 21 Α. I don't allege. They were given. 22 Both -- all three of us, Justin Avery, Lowel 23 Caraballo and myself, all were assigned to the 24 nightshift, that is 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., at 25 Terminal 4, doing traffic outside. You know,

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
                I don't remember the name of the guy.
          Α.
3
     And he was kind of gloating over the fact that
 4
     I got stuck in traffic while he, uh, was
 5
     working over there.
6
                Was he Caucasian?
          Q.
 7
          Α.
                Um, no.
 8
          Q.
                A person of color?
9
          Α.
                Yes.
10
                But you don't know his name?
          Q.
11
          Α.
                (Witness nodding.)
12
          Q.
                There's nothing that would jog your
13
     memory?
          Α.
14
                No.
15
          0.
                And you don't know the circumstances
16
     of his assignment? You just know what he said
17
     to you?
18
          Α.
                Um, yes. But these three people that
19
     I named, you know, um, Justin Avery got high
20
     scores.
               I mean, he got perfect scores.
21
          Q.
                And Justin Avery is Caucasian?
22
          Α.
                Yes.
23
          Q.
                And Lowel Caraballo is Caucasian?
24
          Α.
                Yes. And he was -- he was assigned
25
     to, um, you know, the traffic over and over
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1 S. TUCCIO you know, some of the people in my class did 2 3 end up in other buildings in other jobs, you 4 know, and I was kind of wondering how -- how 5 would some of them end up being, um, you know, 6 cargo scanning, doing cargo scanning in an air 7 conditioned building like Building 20, while --8 uh, on the dayshift, while I would get stuck, 9 uh, you know, working the graveyard shift --10 Q. So ---- doing traffic, which is really the 11 12 most -- the hardest job and the most 13 undesirable job of all the security quard jobs. 14 So, you're just drawing a supposition 15 of what you observed, right? 16 Well, I'm just saying this is what 17 happened to the three of us, you know, and that's why I'd like to find out after these two 18 19 people went on -- left -- finished with 20 Terminal 4, where they went on from there. 21 You're saying traffic is an Q. 22 undesirable job? 23 Α. Absolutely. But you're only basing the connection 24 25 to the scores? And I'm referencing the

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S. TUCCIO 1 2 our, um, F93 fire guard license together and 3 then we were all told to go to Building 14 to 4 pick up our badge and our photos there. 5 everything together. So, that would be sort of 6 like the class of May 2009. 7 Q. I get you. But what I'm trying to 8 make sure I understand is this: The course to 9 which you refer, that you and Mr. Avery and 10 Mr. Caraballo got these allegedly high scores, 11 is the course that Efrain Santiago scored the test, that FJC Security gave to the applicants, 12 13 the one that you mentioned, for four days, 14 that's -- that's the one, right? 15 Well, it was that course, plus the 16 one-day course when we took to drive on the 17 tarmac. You know, Justin Avery and I were in 18 the same -- we were in the same course. 19 were three people who trained for that and on 20 the other course that was for the bomb detector 21 on Thursday. Now, I did not train at the same 22 time that Lowel Avery trained. 23 Q. Okay. 24 Α. So, I don't know what scores he got. 25 You just confused me. You don't know Q.

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 Α. All right. I had to go to Room 228 in Building 75. 3 4 Q. How did you know that? 5 Α. I was telephoned by JC at my home. Do you know when that happened? 6 Q. 7 Α. Um, it -- May 21st -- let's see. Ιt 8 says May 21st. He may have called me up on that date. I don't remember the exact date, 9 10 but he may have called me on that date. 11 0. And then you went to the airport and 12 to this building. What building? 13 Yes, this -- well, this Building 75, 14 Room 228. And he -- he gave me this sheet. 15 And I believe this was given to me after the 16 class -- I think this is about the time that 17 the classes were completed. It says May 21st. 18 May 21st may have been -- I think it might have been a Thursday or a -- I think it's a Friday. 19 20 Yeah, I think it's a Friday, after the classes were finished. 21 22 Q. And you went to this building. 23 did you go to see? I went to see JC, JC himself. 24 Α. 25 And what did he say to you and what Q.

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
     did you say to him?
 3
                Oh, I don't remember the discussion.
          Α.
 4
                Anything that would refresh your
          Q.
 5
     recollection?
 6
          Α.
                Excuse me?
 7
                Anything that would refresh your
          Q.
     recollection?
 8
9
          Α.
                No.
10
          Q.
                No?
11
          Α.
                 I don't think so.
12
          Q.
                And what did he do?
                                      Did he give you
13
      something?
14
          Α.
                Well, he -- he -- he gave me this.
                And did you read through it?
15
          0.
16
          Α.
                Um, yeah.
17
          Q.
                Did you ask any questions?
18
          Α.
                No.
19
          Q.
                Did you see him fill out the name at
20
     the top there where it says --
21
          Α.
                 I don't remember seeing or . . .
                You didn't fill out your name at the
22
          Q.
23
     top there, the --
24
          Α.
                I --
25
          Q.
                -- print that says --
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
          Α.
                Yes.
3
                MR. WEISS: Let's mark this.
 4
                (Whereupon, Defendant's Exhibit E,
 5
            Declaration of Samuel Tuccio, was marked
6
            for identification as of this date by
7
            the reporter.)
8
                Mr. Tuccio, I'll represent to you that
          Q.
9
     this is a declaration that you delivered to me
10
     in support of your initial disclosures.
11
     entitled Declaration of Samuel Tuccio and it's
12
     marked Defendant's Exhibit E. Do you recognize
13
             It's a multiple-page document.
14
          Α.
                Yes. Okay, yes.
15
          Q.
                That is your declaration, right?
16
          Α.
                Yes.
17
          Q.
                And if you turn the page once or twice
18
     to your signature, on that second and fourth
19
     page, that's your signature there?
20
          Α.
                Yes.
21
          0.
                May I have that back, please?
22
          Α.
                (Handing.)
23
          Q.
                Let's go back to -- unfortunately,
24
     this is not Bates stamped.
                                   I'm going to show
25
     you the last document on that document.
                                                 It's
```

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```
1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
     entitled FJC Securities, Inc.
3
         Α.
                Yes.
4
         Q.
                It's apparently another scheduling
5
            Do you recognize that?
6
         Α.
                Yeah, this is the assignment sheet to
7
     Avianca Airlines.
8
         Q.
                How did you acquire that document?
9
     Where did you go to get that document? Let me
10
     rephrase that.
11
                When did you first see that --
12
         Α.
                I --
13
         Q.
                I'm rephrasing.
                                 Hold on.
14
                When did you first see that document?
15
     Go ahead.
16
         Α.
                Okay. I -- this is a document I had
17
     to go to Room 228 at, um, the Building 75, and
18
     I believe I signed this and I believe they gave
     me a copy of it.
19
20
                How did you know to go to Building 75?
         Q.
21
         Α.
                Um, Mr. JC telephoned me. He left a
22
     message on my telephone answering machine.
23
         Q.
                When you arrived, where did you go?
24
                Well, I went to Room 228.
         Α.
25
                And who was there at the time?
         Q.
                                                  Did
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
     you see Mr. JC?
3
          Α.
                Yes.
 4
                And did he identify himself as JC or
          Q.
 5
     did you know it was JC?
6
          Α.
                Well, I knew it was JC because I've
 7
     seen him before.
 8
                Did he say anything to you?
          Q.
9
                Well, he told me that, you know, he
          Α.
10
     had found an assignment -- he said -- I asked
11
     for 20 to 24 hours and he had found an
12
     assignment, a part-time one that -- he said
13
     that, you know, he wanted to know if I was
14
     interested.
15
          Q.
                So, he offered it to you?
16
          Α.
                Yes, that's correct, yeah.
17
                And did you accept it?
          Q.
18
          Α.
                Um, yes.
19
          Q.
                Did you review and read that document
     before you signed it?
20
21
          Α.
                Yes.
                I'm going to ask you again.
22
          Q.
23
     top -- let me see just -- just push it down so
24
     I could see it. It says Tuccio, I guess Sam or
25
     S. Do you know whose handwriting that is?
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
          Α.
                No.
 3
          Q.
                Do you recall ever filling in that
 4
     blank at the top for the name?
 5
          Α.
                No.
 6
          Q.
                And that's your signature at the
 7
     bottom, is it not?
 8
          Α.
                Yes.
 9
          Q.
                Your left corner.
10
          Α.
                Yes.
11
          Q.
                Okay.
12
                MR. WEISS: By the way, the
13
            August 10th, 2009 scheduling form that
14
            the witness just testified to is listed
15
            in his declaration as paragraph 22, for
16
            purposes of the record.
17
          Q.
                Would you agree with me --
18
                What did you say?
          Α.
19
                -- that what you just looked at is
          Q.
20
     paragraph 22?
21
          Α.
                Yup.
22
                Because I don't have it Bates stamped,
          Q.
      so I'm referencing your paragraphs.
23
24
                Paragraph 9 of the declaration
25
      references an affidavit you gave to a National
```

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
     that to that effect?
 3
          Α.
                 Yes.
 4
          Q.
                What was the stated reason?
 5
          Α.
                 Um, the stated reason was that I, uh,
 6
     refused an assignment --
 7
          Q.
                Okay.
 8
          Α.
                 -- to work on the tarmac earlier that
 9
     morning on January 20th.
10
                 You deny that you refused the
11
      assignment?
12
          Α.
                No.
13
          0.
                Did you also go through a security
     door?
14
15
          Α.
                 Yes.
16
                And did you also enter an incorrect
          Q.
17
     pin in that security door?
18
          Α.
                No.
19
          Q.
                Did an alarm sound?
20
          Α.
                 Yes.
21
          Q.
                What did Mr. Cabanilla -- was
22
     Cabanilla one of the tour supervisors?
23
          Α.
                He was the supervisor on duty at that
      time.
24
25
                Okay.
                        And he gave you an assignment
          Q.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
     to the tarmac?
3
          Α.
                Yes.
                What did you tell him?
4
          Q.
5
          Α.
                I told him that it was too cold to
6
     work out there on the tarmac and I -- I said,
 7
     "You" -- "You know, you" -- "you put me out
     there before. It's much too cold to work out
8
9
     there. I would rather go home than work
     there."
10
11
                You went home?
          Q.
12
                Um, and I -- I told him I was going --
13
     you know, I -- he would not change his mind, so
14
     I told him --
15
          Q.
                What did he say to you?
16
          Α.
                -- I'm going home.
17
                Um, he just stood -- stood aside and
18
     followed me as I walked out the door and he
19
     stood out there in the hallway and he asked me
     for my badge and I said, "I need it to go out."
2.0
21
                Now, this is January --
          Q.
22
          Α.
                20th.
                          This says January 19th,
23
                -- 20th.
          Q.
     2010.
24
25
                Well, it really meant -- it should
```

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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
     have been the 20th.
 3
          Q.
                January the 20th?
 4
          Α.
                Yeah.
 5
          Q.
                Are you issued a coat for cold
 6
     weather?
 7
          Α.
                Cold weather?
 8
          Q.
                Cold weather coat, cold weather gear.
 9
          Α.
                Um, I don't remember whether they gave
10
     me -- gave us a jacket -- a small -- a light
11
     jacket or not, but it was not a -- I don't -- I
12
     don't really remember.
13
          0.
                Do you own --
14
                I think it was -- it was -- you know,
15
     it -- this -- when you're talking about a
16
     jacket, you're not talking about a jacket
     that's made for Siberia, you're talking about
17
18
     temperatures where the temperature is
19
     17 degrees above zero out there and there's
20
     always -- at night, you know, I'm talking about
21
     4 a.m., 5 a.m. in the morning, 35 to 40 mile an
     hour wind that makes the windchill factor make
22
23
     it feel like it's 10 degrees below zero.
24
     brutal in the winter. It's so brutal that
25
     those men that work for American Eagle, some of
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
     them, they would talk about -- and some of them
 3
     did quit.
 4
                MR. WEISS: Move to strike as
 5
            nonresponsive.
 6
          Q.
                I don't care about any other employee
 7
     other than FJC.
 8
          Α.
                Okay.
 9
                You swiped your card and put in your
          Q.
10
     pin, did you not?
11
          Α.
                Yes. I put in the correct pin.
12
          0.
                And you couldn't get through?
13
          Α.
                And the alarm went off and I swiped
14
     the card a second time and put in my pin again.
15
     Mr. Alberto Cabanilla was at the end of the
16
     hallway watching me and he was talking to
17
     somebody on his cell phone while I did that.
18
          Q.
                Did you go through a door?
19
          Α.
                Did I go through the door, yes.
20
          0.
                While the alarm was sounding?
21
          Α.
                Yes.
22
          Q.
                In all this training that you had
23
     done, were you not -- weren't you trained in
24
     the importance of security procedures?
25
          Α.
                Um, yes.
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1
                           S. TUCCIO
 2
          Q.
                So you know this was wrong, didn't
 3
     you?
                I believe that Mr. Cabanilla was --
 4
          Α.
 5
          Ο.
                Sir --
 6
          Α.
                -- on the telephone --
 7
          Q.
                -- did you not breach the perimeter?
 8
          Α.
                -- telling somebody to void my pass --
9
     my ID.
10
                You don't know that for a fact, do
          Q.
11
     you?
12
          Α.
                I do not know that for a fact.
13
          0.
                Did you breach the perimeter?
14
          Α.
                Did I breach the perimeter? The alarm
15
     went off --
16
          Q.
                Okay.
17
          Α.
                -- and he was a witness. He saw me go
18
     through the door.
19
          Q.
                Alberto Cabanilla?
20
                Yes. He was standing in the hallway
21
     outside the doorway of Avianca Airlines and he
22
     was on the cell phone talking to someone.
23
                But you weren't in enough close
          Q.
24
     proximity for him to know what he was saying
25
     and what he was doing, other than seeing him on
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1.
                          S. TUCCIO
2
     putting them outside."
3
         Q.
               But that language you just said about
4
     the young, muscular men, that's not in the
5
     affidavit, is it?
6
         Α.
                No.
7
         Q.
                Okay. And he did offer you other
8
     options in this paragraph ten that you reviewed
9
     and signed under penalty of perjury, correct?
10
                Cabanilla on a couple of occasions
         Α.
     gave the option --
11
12
                -- of not working?
          Q.
13
         Α.
                Yes.
14
         Ο.
                Okay. You mentioned a fire guard
15
     license in Exhibit -- Defendant's Exhibit E,
16
     and we'll have to find the paragraph. Is that
17
     the fire guard license which says -- let me
18
     just --
19
                To answer your question, that's a
          Α.
20
                It is not -- the fire quard license
     receipt.
      is like a badge with a picture of the --
21
22
          Q.
                I understand, but --
23
          Α.
                That's the receipt --
24
                It says over here --
          Q.
25
          Α.
                -- for passing the exam.
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```
S. TUCCIO
1
2
                It says NYCFD?
         Q.
3
         Α.
                Yeah.
4
         Q.
                That's the receipt for passing the
5
     fire guard exam, correct?
         A. Yes.
6
7
                Okay. And that is -- you reference it
          Q.
8
     as paragraph 21 in your declaration, just for
9
     the record.
10
         Α.
                Paragraph 21.
11
                Right. Okay.
          Q.
12
         Α.
                Oh, yeah.
13
                In Defendant's Exhibit B, Bates No. D
         0.
     as in David 000005, do you recognize this
14
15
     employee violation notice dated August 10,
16
     2009?
17
                I believe this was attached to a
     letter I sent to the union.
18
19
                Well, is that your signature on the
          Q.
20
     right side?
            Yes.
21
          Α.
22
                Yes, the right side. Okay.
     all I want to know.
23
24
                Other than your hours changing to
25
      24 hours, did your rate change at any time
```

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S. TUCCIO 1 2 during your employment? 3 Α. No. Well, yes, yes, it did, uh, I think initially when I was at Terminal 4, at 4 5 the first week or more, I don't know how many 6 weeks, it was considered to be a probationary 7 period and I got paid a starting rate of \$7.25 an hour the first week and I don't remember how 8 many weeks afterward. It was -- it's 9 10 considered to be train -- you know, training for the job, so, they just paid me the minimum 11 12 wage which is \$7.25 an hour. 13 Q. And then it moved up to \$9 an hour? 14 Afterward, yes. Α. 15 Ο. But it didn't change after that? 16 Α. Yes, that's correct. 17 These are the nonemployees. Q. 18 you mentioned Gabriel Cruz already. 19 Α. Yes. 20 Is he listed only because he worked in 21 the bag room? Um, well, I guess he knew the 22 Α. 23 conditions of the place that, you know, the, 24 um, bag room area was unheated. It had no 25 heat, got very cold, until November 27th, the

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 day after Thanksgiving. At that time there 3 were just two space heaters way up on the ceiling, a very high ceiling, this big 4 5 building, you know, that, you know, it was 6 extremely cold in there and, you know, he saw 7. me when he was there, obviously because --8 and as well as his crew, uh, of baggage handlers. 9 And Al Dooley is the gentleman you 10 Q. mentioned before? 11 12 Α. The union representative. 13 Did you file a grievance with the Q. 14 union? 15 Um, well, the grievance was filed on, Α. 16 I think, uh, February -- let's see, um, I think 17 it may have been -- I think maybe it was in 18 April. 19 Did you --Q. In April of 2010. 20 Α. 21 Have you since pursued that grievance Q. 22 in any way? Well, what happened was, Mr. Dooley 23 24 had to respond to the, uh, National Labor --25 see, the National Labor -- the problem with

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```
1
                           S. TUCCIO
2
     Mr. Dooley was that he never answered a
3
     telephone call.
 4
          0.
                You mentioned that before.
 5
          Α.
                Yes.
 6
          0.
                I don't want to litigate the --
 7
          Α.
                Okay.
 8
                -- National Labor Relations Board
          Q.
9
     charge here.
10
          Α.
                Okay.
11
          Q.
                I just want to know if you pursued
12
     it --
13
          Α.
                Okay.
14
          0.
                -- further with the union.
15
                I, um, went to the National Labor
          Α.
16
     Relations Board on February 5th of 2010 and
17
     complained that the union that I pay dues for
18
     and have a beautiful building out there in
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     Babylon, with beautiful secretaries and
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     everything else, had not helped me, and
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     Mr. Dooley had never talked to me.
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     called his office up over and over and over and
     asked his secretary, this is important, to
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     please tell him to get back to me starting in
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hear about things, rumors. I suspect that
Mr. Dooley may have heard about this, because
on February 9th, four days after I went to the
National Labor Relations Board, complained
about him, and then he did not give me any
attention at all even though I had written to
him and called his office many times. He
finally called me up at home and he talked to
me and said, "I'm going to try to get your job
back. I'll speak to Mr. James Donohue, try to
get your job back for you."

Q. Is that as far as it went?

S. TUCCIO

A. Um, well, then I believe, um, I believe the documents that I submit to the National Labor Relations Board, then he called me and said that he had talked to Mr. Donohue and Mr. Donohue said that he was willing to give me the job back, but there was one thing in its way, that The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey would not issue me a new badge. I mean this is what Mr. Dooley said orally on the telephone.

Q. Okay. This is Dooley talking, right?

A. Yes.

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                Did you --
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                So, then --
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                Okay. You have copies of the letters.
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     Mr. Dooley to put this in writing. In other
     words, I said, "Would you put this in writing?"
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     And I sent him a letter. I believe it was sent
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     by a certified mail, return receipt requested.
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     And I believe that was supplied to you, uh,
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     earlier, um, that I asked Mr. Dooley to put --
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     I said, "I want you to put down in writing that
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     the only reason why I could not get a job was
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     that The Port Authority of New York & New
     Jersey would not give me a badge, " and
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     Mr. Dooley --
                And -- go ahead.
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                -- Mr. Dooley did not do that.
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     when I called him up on the phone and asked him
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     to do it, he refused to do it.
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S. TUCCIO

- A. Well, if it covers the period -- you know, you listed 2008 to the present and that's what covers that period.
- Q. But this is just treatment that you sought for things -- for other things unrelated to your employment at FJC, correct?
- A. Unrelated to my employment at FJC?

 Uh, I guess that would be correct, yeah.
- Q. Okay. In interest to your privacy, I haven't been clear about it, about what it is; although, all of this is covered by the confidentiality stipulation.

During the course this litigation,
when you filed this lawsuit in -- before, when
you filed the charge with the E -- with the New
York State Department -- the State Division of
Human Rights, you've been representing
yourself; isn't that true?

- A. That's correct.
- Q. So, you have not incurred any attorneys' fees?
 - A. That's correct.
- Q. Earlier today I asked you whether you had received the FJC sexual harassment and

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S. TUCCIO 1 2 antidiscrimination policy and you testified 3 that you did and admitted signing it, which was 4 actually an exhibit to the letter I sent to 5 Joseph -- the Honorable Joseph Bianco, which is the U.S. district judge in this case. Do you 6 7 recall testifying to that? 8 Α. Yes. 9 Did you file any complaint with the 10 company under that procedure? Let me rephrase 11 that question. 12 Did you file any written complaint 13 under that procedure with the company since you -- during the -- from May '09 to 14 15 January 2010? 16 Α. January 2010? Well --17 I mean, I know --0. The written -- of course the written 18 Α. 19 is the -- originally I went to the, you know, the New York State --20 21 Q. I'm not interested in the agencies and the --22 23 Other than that, I did not write to Α. 24 the company officials about the, uh, 25 discrimination of Alberto Cabanilla and putting

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 me on the tarmac all the time during heavy 3 rain, extreme cold, and asking me to do this 4 two, three times a week in December 2009 and 5 January 2010, while other employees who were 6 working at regular jobs that were indoors 7 were --I understand, sir. 8 Q. 9 -- not asked to go out there and apparently consider themselves too good to go 10 11 out there from the way they looked at me. 12 Okav. I --0. 13 . A . They looked at me like I was some kind 1.4 of second-class or third-class citizen when 15 they saw me. 16 Q. Did anyone ever tell you -- I withdraw 17 that question. Just bear with me. 18 In your disclosures which is --19 Α. Yes. 20 -- Defendant's Exhibit D, you 21 disclosed that you're seeking damages of 22 23,940. 23 Α. Um, yes. 24 Q. And you create a calculation down 25 there?

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S. TUCCIO

you know, asking him to help me with the problem, to telephone me, and I never got a response.

Q. So, that is tied to the same grievance?

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7 Well, it is sort of like an oral 8 agreement -- well, it is a written agreement in 9 a way because I did write to him asking for 10 help in this problem that I was having with 11 Mr. Alberto Cabanilla, uh, selecting me to go out there on the tarmac while other people who 12 13 signed the same agreement as me with black skin or who were Hispanic, who he treated as if they 14 15 were better. I mean, we didn't go into that, 16 but he treated them like they were better than 17 He treated them with greater respect than 18 me, which I objected to. And this was -- I 19 think I mentioned that, that the women were on 20 the, uh, who were working out there on the jet 21 bridge, they would be assigned from 4 a.m. to 8 22 They would wait inside the building where 23 it was warm until about 5:06 in the morning 24 when the plane came in. They worked two hours 25 on the airplane, on the jet bridge or -- and

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1 S. TUCCIO 2 it's just breaks, my job would be to, uh, put 3 it inside a big plastic -- it was like an oversized Glad bag, and I would wrap it up and 4 5 then I would remove one of the airplane's stickers. There would be a sticker with a 6 7 number on it and you -- you could remove part of it and I would have to give that to 8 Mr. Alberto Cabanilla and report to him that a 9 10 bag had burst, and it would have, you know, the name of the passenger, I guess the destination, 11 12 whether it was Medina or Bogota, Columbia, and 13 the name of the airline. 14 Q. Anything else? 15 Uh, no. As I pointed out in my, uh, you know, in my rebuttal, the description that 16 17 was supplied by the attorney was incorrect. Let me just give you one more 18 Q. 19 reference, Defendant's Exhibit B. I show you what is Bates No. D000048. Do you recognize 20 that document? 21 Your asking me if I --Α. 22 23 0. Do you recognize that document? 24 Α. That's -- yeah. It's the document I 25 signed.

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S. TUCCIO
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          Q.
                 Did you read and understand it when
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      you signed it?
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1	S. TUCCIO
2	MR. WEISS: I don't think I have any
3	more questions at this time of this
4	witness.
5	I reserve the right to recall the
6	witness in the event that things change.
7	We will probably be ordering a
8	transcript. Mr. Tuccio, you'll receive
9	is a copy of the transcript, at which
10	time you'll have an opportunity to
11	review the transcript for typos that he
12	may undertake. That's it. That's all I
13	have. Thank you.
14	(Time noted: 3:44 p.m.)
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17	SAMUEL TUCCIO
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19	Subscribed and sworn to before me
20	this, 20 .
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1	S. TUCCIO
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4	STATE OF NEW YORK)
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5	COUNTY OF BRONX)
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7	I, SCOTT TORRANCE, a shorthand reporter
8	and Notary Public of the State of New York, do
9	hereby certify:
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11	That, SAMUEL TUCCIO, the witness whose
12	examination is hereinbefore set forth, was duly
13	sworn, and that such examination is a true
14	record of the testimony given by such witness.
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16	I further certify that I am not related
17	to any of the parties to this action by blood
1.8	or marriage; and that I am in no way interested
19	in the outcome of this matter.
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Plaintiff,

-against-

Civil Action No. 12-5506 (JFB) (GRB)

FJC SECURITY SERVICES, INC.,

Defendant.

100 Federal Plaza Central Islip, New York

September 12, 2013 11:19 A.M.

DEPOSITION of FJC SECURITY SERVICES, INC., the

Defendant herein, by FRANCES VELAZQUEZ, taken

pursuant to Notice, and held at the above time and

place before Ginnette Corr, a stenotype reporter and

Notary Public of the State of New York.

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ (Plaintiff's Exhibit 1, Airport 2 3 security agent training marked for 4 identification.) 5 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ, the Witness 6 herein, having been first duly sworn by 7 Ginnette Corr, a Notary Public of the 8 State of New York, was examined and testified as follows: 9 10 EXAMINATION BY 11 MR. TUCCIO: 12 Please state your name for the record. Q 13 Α Frances Velazquez. 14 Q Where do you presently reside? 15 Α 104-80 127th Street, Richmond Hill, New York 11419. 16 17 Q Good morning, Ms. Velazquez. Thank you 18 for being here this morning. 19 Would you please state your full name for the record? 20 Frances Velazquez. 21 Α 22 What is your current business address? Q Building Number 75, JFK Airport, 23 Α 24 Jamaica, New York 11430. 25 Q Please state your position.

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manager, Building 75.

MR. WEISS: Not to burden the record,

1	FRANCES VELAZQUEZ
2	If you understand the question, you may
3	answer it.
4	A I don't understand your question.
5	Q Is there any relation between the test
6	scores in the training class given by the
7	instructor, Efrain Santiago, and the first
8	assignment given to a new airport security agent?
9	A No.
10	Q Is there any relation to the test score
11	of the F93 fire exam and the first assignment
12	given to a new airport security agent?
13	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
14	You may answer if you understand the
15	question.
16	A No.
17	Q Is there any relation let me just
18	point out one thing. It's on the last tab.
19	You'll see it says "cargo security screener." The
20	question is about that course.
21	Is there any relation to the test score
22	of the exam given at the end of a course taught by
23	John Harding of Delta Air Lines on a cargo
24	security screener
25	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 Q -- and the first assignment given to an 3 airport security agent? 4 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 5 You may answer. 6 Α No. 7 MR. WEISS: Spell Harding, just so she 8 has it, Mr. Tuccio. 9 MR. TUCCIO: H-A-R-D-I-N-G. 10 0 The next question is on tab number one, 11 those certificates. One of them is from The Port 12 Authority of New York and New Jersey. 13 Is there any relation to the test score 14 of a four-hour course given by The Port Authority 15 of New York and New Jersey and the first 16 assignment given to a new airport security agent? 17 Α No. 18 0 The next question is tab number two. 19 On the driving course, driving on the 20 Tarmac, is there any relation to the test score 21 given on the driving test course and the first 22 assignment given to a new airport security agent? 23 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 24 You may answer. 25 Α No.

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 MR. WEISS: For the record, Mr. Tuccio, 3 I want to point out to you that I've never 4 seen this document, which is entitled 5 "airport ground vehicle operations." 6 Everything you've given to me in these tabs 7 for this litigation started with this page. 8 MR. TUCCIO: No. 9 MR. WEISS: I'm not arguing. I'm just 10 saying, this is the first time I've seen it. 11 MR. TUCCIO: At the last deposition of 12 James Donohue, the exhibit -- this is the 13 same exhibit. 14 MR. WEISS: That's fine. I just 15 pointed it out to you. 16 Is there any relation to the number of 17 years of experience as a security quard and the 18 first assignment given to a new airport security 19 agent? 20 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 21 You may answer. 22 Α No. 23 Does the previous employment record of 24 an employee have any relation to the assignment 25. given to a new airport security agent?

1	FRANCES VELAZQUEZ
2	Q Are the test scores used in deciding
3	which assignments are given to the airport
4	security agent?
5	MR. WEISS: Objection; asked and
6	answered.
7	You may answer.
8	A No.
9	Q What happens to the test scores? You
10	said they're stored in a folder. Okay.
11	MR. WEISS: Are you answering your
12	question?
13	MR. TUCCIO: She answered.
14	Q New employees are trained by an
15	instructor, John Harding, of Delta Air Lines to be
16	cargo security screeners; is that correct?
17	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
18	You may answer.
19	Please refrain from cross-examining the
20	witness.
21	A He at that time participated in one
22	aspect of the training. He is not a trainer for
23	FJC Security.
24	Q Again, I'm asking this question.
25	Referring to the last question, is this

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 not specialized training for an airport security 3 agent? 4 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 5 If you understand the question. Please refrain from cross-examining the 6 7 witness. 8 Α I don't know. 9 Q The Delta Air Lines instructor, John 10 Harding, gives a test at the end of the eight-hour 11 course. 12 What happens to this test? 13 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 14 If you understand the question, you may 15 answer it. 16 I have no knowledge of what happens to 17 that. 18 Are the test scores from the cargo 19 screener test used to decide whether or not an employee gets assigned to Building 20 doing the 20 21 testing of luggage for traces of explosives? 22 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form, but 23 you may answer. 24 Α No. 25 MR. WEISS: I'm going to interrupt.

1	FRANCES VELAZQUEZ
2	Can you read the question back again?
3	(The requested portion of the record
4	was read back by the reporter.)
5	Q In 2009, Efrain Santiago taught a
6	one-day class on driving a vehicle on the Tarmac
7	at JFK.
8	Is this not specialized training of an
9	airport security agent?
10	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
11	If you understand the question, you may
12	answer.
13	A It's not specialized if everybody's
14	doing it.
15	Q Isn't it specialized in the sense that
16	this is not general security guard training that
17	can be used for any job anywhere?
18	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
19	Please refrain from arguing with the
20	witness.
21	Q I don't understand what you mean, it's
22	not specialized if everyone is doing it.
23	What do you mean by that? Not
24	MR. WEISS: You want to rephrase the
25	question?

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 Q What did you mean by that, if 3 everyone's doing it? 4 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 5 You may answer if you understand it. 6 Α To me, something that is special, 7 specialized is when there's a small group, a 8 specialized group only doing this particular 9 function. Anybody with a driver's license can 10 take this class and does take this class and is 11 able to drive at the airport. It's not a 12 specialized particular skill. 13 Q But the training is specialized in that 14 it's for an airport security agent position at the airport. I mean, you don't have Tarmacs 15 16 everywhere in the state. 17 MR. WEISS: Mr. Tuccio, that's not the testimony. 18 I'm going to object to the 19 question. 20 Please refrain from restating the 21 testimony and mischaracterizing it. Go on to 22 your next question. That's fine. If you 23 have follow-up questions, be my guest. 24 I just want to point out in that tab --Q 25 MR. WEISS: Which tab?

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 MR. TUCCIO: The tab -- the picture of 3 my badge at the end -- at the end of tab 4 two. It should have a picture of my badge. 5 Next page. 6 MR. WEISS: You're referencing --7 That driving course --Q 8 MR. WEISS: For the record, you're 9 referencing the badge dated, looks like, 10 May 11, 2010? 11 MR. TUCCIO: Yes. That's the badge 12 given to me by The Port Authority. 13 MR. WEISS: Go ahead. 14 Q That by taking that course, that 15 results in the designation DR1 or EV on this 16 badge. Isn't that so? 17 18 I'm sorry? A 19 Q See the designation over here, DR1 EV? 20 That's put on my badge, because I took the driving 21 course. 22 MR. WEISS: Mr. Tuccio is referencing 23 the DR on the picture of the badge. 24 Α Yes. 25 Q For this particular course, what

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 happens to the test scores for the driving course? 3 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 4 If you understand the question, you may 5 answer. 6 Α They're given to The Port Authority. 7 Q Are they stored anyplace at FJC? 8 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 9 You may answer. 10 They're stored in your training file, 11 in a training file, yes. 12 Are the test scores from the test for 13 driving a vehicle on the Tarmac used to decide 14 whether or not an airport security agent gets 15 assigned to driving Rover 1 or Rover 2 at JFK 16 Airport? 17 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 18 You may answer if you understand the 19 question. 20 Α No. 21 Again, I just want to make sure I Q 22 understand this. 23 On what basis are new employees given 24 their first assignment? There must be some basis. 25 Test scores, experience, education,

1	FRANCES VELAZQUEZ
2	recommendations?
3	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form, and
4	that's argumentative.
5	You may answer if you understand the
6	question.
7	A There's no basis. It's random. It's
8	first come, first gets the schedule.
9	Q Do you influence placement of new hires
10	on their first assignment in any way?
11	MR. WEISS: I'm sorry?
12	Q Do you influence the placement of new
13	hires on their first assignment in any way?
14	MR. WEISS: Objection as to the form.
15	If you understand the question, you may
16	answer.
17	A No.
18	Q I'm talking about May 2009 again.
19	What were the names of the other
20	employees and their positions in the personnel
21	department at Building 75?
22	A 2009, Stacey Thomas, JC Noboa.
23	Q Was there a woman named Louise Davis?
24	A She's not part of personnel.
25	Q She's not part of personnel.

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 Well, was she in the office at Building 75? 3 4 Α Yes. 5 Does Louise Davis speak Spanish? Q Not that -- no. Not that I know of. 6 Α 7 Q Is Louise Davis Spanish or Hispanic? 8 Α I don't know. 9 Did the other employees in the Q 10 personnel department influence the placement of new hires on their first assignment in any way? 11 12 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 13 I don't know what you mean, Mr. Tuccio, 14 but if you understand the question, you may 15 answer. 16 Α No. 17 If the placement of new hires Okay. 18 was entirely random, why not flip a coin to 19 determine which job they get, just as in football? 20 A coin is flipped to determine who gets the chance 21 to pass or receive the ball in every game. 22 MR. WEISS: Mr. Tuccio, I'm going to 23 object to the form. 24 Please refrain from -- there's a couple 25 of reasons why that question is improper.

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 MR. WEISS: Assumes facts not in 3 evidence, and it's objection as to form. 4 You may answer it if you understand the 5 question. 6 Α No. 7 The answer is? Q 8 Α No. 9 Who made the decision on the second or Q 10 third assignments given to a new airport security 11 agent? 12 MR. WEISS: We're still in '09, right? 13 MR. TUCCIO: Yes. 14 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 15 Α James Donohue. 16 Do the new hires who are trained in 17 Mr. Santiago's five-day class or in his driving 18 class or in the Port Authority class, are they 19 paid for their time during training? 20 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 21 If you understand the question, you may 22 answer it. 23 Α No. 24 Q Are you aware that training an employee 25 without paying them is illegal under the state

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 pages. 3 MR. TUCCIO: Let's go off the record 4 for a minute. 5 (Whereupon, a discussion was held off 6 the record.) 7 Α No. 8 MR. WEISS: My objection is stated on 9 the record. Go on to your next question. 10 Go ahead. 11 Now I'm going to talk about my 12 assignment at Avianca Airlines in August of 2009 13 through January 20th of 2010. My supervisor was 14 Alberto Cabanilla. Supervisor Alberto 15 Cabanilla -- let me just say something, and then 16 I'll ask a question -- took me off my assignment 17 in the bag room on December 4, 2009 and ordered me to work on the -- to stand on the Tarmac for three 18 19 and a half hours during heavy rain on that day, 20 cold weather in the 20-mile-an-hour wind. 21 Why didn't FJC Security Services 22 provide me with a vehicle such as a Ford Escape or 23 a Jeep Liberty for this job? 24 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 25 If you want to answer that long

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 to bring your facts and circumstances, 3 because that, I think, is a relevant 4 question. I'm not going to have her answer 5 questions about people who may have driven 6 drunk and were issued warrants or done all 7 sorts of myriad things that has nothing to 8 do with what you're talking about. You're 9 talking about breaching a perimeter. 10 said in the question Mr. Donohue said if you 11 breach the perimeter -- I'm paraphrasing 12 your question -- breach the perimeter, a 13 warrant can be issued. Ask her that 14 question. 15 All right. What I'm saying is, did 16 this ever happen, in fact? In other words, for 17 breaching a perimeter, an airport security agent 18 going through a door and the alarm goes off and 19 they keep on going, to your knowledge, did the 20 Port Authority ever issue, Port Authority police, 21 did they ever issue a warrant for the arrest of an 22 agent? 23 MR. WEISS: Go ahead. 24 Α Yes. 25 Q Again, this is just a little different.

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 3 You may answer it if you understand the 4 question. 5 I don't work at terminals. I don't 6 know. 7 Did any airport security agent ever Q 8 complain about James Donohue? 9 MR. WEISS: You may answer. I don't 10 know how that's relevant, but go ahead. You 11 may answer. 12 Α No. 13 Did any airport security agent ever 14 accuse James Donohue of making a statement such as 15 his actions caused the cancellation of flights or 16 for an entire terminal to be cleared of all 17 passengers? 18 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 19 You may answer it if you know the 20 answer. I don't understand the question. 21 Α 22 Did any airport security agent accuse Q 23 James Donohue of making statements that were not 24 true, such as that his actions caused the 25 cancellation of airline flights or that his

1 FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 actions, the airport security agent's actions 3 caused an entire terminal at the airport to be 4 cleared of all people? 5 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 6 You may answer. 7 To whom? Α 8 To the management at FJC Security Q 9 Services. 10 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form. 11 You may answer. 12 Α No. 13 Q Did anyone ever accuse James Donohue of 14 telling them that the Port Authority police would 15 issue a warrant for their arrest when this was not 16 true? 17 MR. WEISS: I lost the first part of 18 it. Don't repeat it. Have her read it 19 back. 20 . (The requested portion of the record was read back by the reporter.) 21 22 MR. WEISS: Objection as to form, but 23 you may answer. 24 Α To whom? 25 Q To the management at FJC Security.

1	FRANCES VELAZQUEZ
2	A No.
3	Q Did anyone accuse James Donohue of
4	saying that he would refuse to hire an airport
5	security agent or rehire them because the Port
6	Authority of New York and New Jersey would not
7	issue them a new ID badge when this was not true
8	was not, in fact, true?
9	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
10	Read the question again.
11	(The requested portion of the record
12	was read back by the reporter.)
13	MR. WEISS: Objection as to form.
14	You may answer if you understand it.
15	A No.
16	Q Has any airport security agent said
17	that he believed that James Donohue is mentally
18	ill?
19	MR. WEISS: Okay. I don't understand
20	why that's even relevant. What does
21	Mr. Donohue's mental condition or any
22	complaint about his mental condition
23	MR. TUCCIO: Answer to that is going
24	back to my initial complaint, that he
25	claimed that my going through the door on

Τ	FRANCES VELAZQUEZ
2	the morning of January 20, 2009, that this
3	caused the cancellation of all airplane
4	flights that morning, and he said that it
5	caused the clearing of all passengers from
6	Terminal 4, and he also said that the Port
7	Authority police would issue a warrant for
8	my arrest and for me to go home and wait for
9	them to come to me.
10	MR. WEISS: That's your allegation. I
11	understand that's your allegation.
12	MR. TUCCIO: If somebody is doing this,
13	you know, it makes me wonder about this
14	man's sanity.
15	MR. WEISS: Well, his sanity
16	MR. TUCCIO: It makes me question his
17	sanity.
18	MR. WEISS: Sane or not, his mental
19	state is irrelevant in this action.
20	Q The question was, did any other airport
21	security agent question Mr. James Donohue's
22	sanity?
23	MR. WEISS: Off the record.
24	(Whereupon, a discussion was held off
25	the record.)

1. FRANCES VELAZQUEZ 2 MR. WEISS: You may answer. 3 Α No. 4 MR. WEISS: Just so the record is 5 clear, you keep saying airport security 6 agent. You're talking about at FJC? 7 MR. TUCCIO: Yes. At FJC Security. I want to thank you very much, 8 Q 9 Ms. Velazquez, for coming to the deposition. I 10 have no further questions for you. 11 MR. WEISS: I have no questions of this 12 witness. The deposition is concluded? 13 MR. TUCCIO: Yes. 14 (Time noted: 12:28 p.m.) 15 16 17 · 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATE OF NEW YORK ss: COUNTY OF I, FRANCES VELAZQUEZ, hereby certify that I have read the transcript of my testimony taken under oath in my deposition of September 12, 2013; that the transcript is a true and complete record of my testimony, and that the answers on the record as given by me are true and correct. FRANCES VELAZQUEZ Subscribed and sworn to before me 2013. this day of (NOTARY PUBLIC)

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5	I, GINNETTE CORR, a shorthand reporter
6	and Notary Public within and for the State of
7	New York, do hereby certify:
8	That the witness, whose testimony is
9	hereinbefore set forth, was duly sworn by me,
10	and that such testimony is a true record of the
11	testimony given by such witness.
12	I further certify that I am not related
13	to any of the parties by blood or marriage, and
14	that I am in no way interested in the outcome of
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I, Samuel Tuccio, have been given assurances by an agent of the National Labor Relations Board that this Confidential Witness Affidavit will be considered a confidential law enforcement record by the Board and will not be disclosed unless it becomes necessary to produce the Confidential Witness Affidavit in connection with a formal proceeding.

My address is P.O. Box 285, Hicksville, New York 11802.

- I was employed by FJC Security Services as a security guard from technically May 8, 2009, although I attended classes for about three weeks and didn't start working until the last week of May 2009.
- 2. There was a two-week class to familiarize ourselves with the airport and what the job was all about. There were approximately 25 people in the class. I also took a course to be screener and passed that test, and also a Firemen's test. My scores were about 94 or 96. I think I got a 96 on the Firemen's test.
- 3. The General Manager for FJC was James Donohoue. There were other supervisors but I don't remember their names at this time. I have that information at home. I had to pay dues to the Union, Special and Superior Officers Benevolent Association, and an initiation fee from the first paycheck. I was sent a card by the Union that had the names of four employees who were maybe Shop Stewards. Al Dooley is a Representative for Al Dooley.
- 4. I had filled out a form, when hired, requesting to work a day shift, and not the graveyard shift. I was first assigned to Terminal 4 at JFK, from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., for about two months. I was posted at the public entrance to the Terminal on the fourth floor, and then the first floor, were people drove up in cars to pick up incoming passengers. I basically stood for about 8 hours at my first post.

- 5. About the first week of August, I was called into the office for a reassignment. I was reassigned to Building 20, where I was supposed to patrol the building outside for 8 hours/day, from about 2 to 10 p.m. I told them instead that I wanted to work part time, so I was assigned to Cargo Area in Terminal 4, first from 4 a.m. to 8 a.m., and then from 5 a.m. to 9 a.m., Monday through Friday. My job was to patrol the area where the checked bags were loaded onto carts to be taken to the planes so that no theft occurred from the bags. I was at that position from about the first week of August until my termination on January 20, 2010.
- 6. When I worked at Terminal 4, I got the job of walking outside, whereas other newer employees got the more desirable postings of walking inside the building. I called Al Dooley and complained, asking why I was always getting the least desirable job. All I got was the run-around. The secretary for the Union would tell me that Dooley would call me back. I called at least three times but never got a response from anyone. I assumed that he did nothing about it.
- 7. When I worked in the Cargo Area, there are big doors leading outside and there was no heat in the building until the day after Thanksgiving. I would call the IT office at the Airport and complain and was told that the heat would not go on until the temperature went below 35 degrees. I talked to my Site Supervisor, Alberto Cabanilla. He said that he could not take me out of the Cargo Area because that was my permanent assignment.
- 8. Other employees would ask for overtime, and generally they were the screeners who would then come in and work in the Cargo Area for about four more hours. Generally, those security guard would be on the jet bridge watching the passengers getting off the plane. After the passengers left, the security guard's job was to guard the airplane, make sure that the only people going on the plane were authorized to do so. Guards would also search the plane after passengers departed. The jet bridge or plane was usually heated, thus it was warm in the winter. On December 2 or 3, Cabanilla took me out of my Cargo Area assignment and told me that he wanted me to stand on the tarmac beside the airplane. It was cold. I did

this also on December 9, for about 3 ½ hours, when it was rained. I complained to Cabanilla and asked why I was being put outside when he had other new employees come in. He told me that he was rotating employees. I asked him why he wasn't giving me some of the assignments inside, such as inside the jet bridge or leading up to the control tower. I told him it was very unfair. I told him that I didn't want to be out there. He told me that nobody want to be out there. I sent a letter to the Union complaining. I got no response. I would call the office and the secretary would give me excuses, she'd say he was in the field, or in the meeting, or out sick, or in New Jersey. The letter I sent, along with the FedEx receipt, is attached as Exhibit . Enclosed in the letter was also a copy of an Employee Violation Notice, for supposedly not calling in sick on time, which I contested. They wrote me up as unexcused absence.

- 9. I called again on Sunday, December 20, telling the dispatcher that I couldn't come into work because of a bad snowstorm, there was no service on the LIRR. I was again written up.
- 10. On January 6, I was again asked to work outside by Cabanilla. I objected, stating that he had other employees in the Cargo Area that never went to work outside, and that other employees from other posts came and Cabanilla was not putting them outside. Cabanilla on a couple occasions gave me the option of not working that day instead of going outside, so I went home.
- 11. On January 19, 2010, I went to work and Cabanilla told me that I had to work outside. I told him that I was going home, I did not want to work outside because he was it too cold. He demanded my badge, and I didn't give it to him, I just walked out. As I was walking away, I heard him and saw him on his cell phone. I assumed he was calling the airport tower to invalidate my card. When I got to the door, I swiped my card and put in my pin, but access was denied, but I pushed the door anyway. The alarm can be heard on the second floor area. The alarm is loud enough to be heard through the hallway. I walked down from the second floor to the ground floor, and walked out through the front of Terminal 4, where the

passengers walk out, and took a bus home. I got a telephone call at home to report to the FJC office, which I did, went in and turned in my badge. I spoke to Donohue, and told him that I felt that I had been treated unfairly, that I was assigned to treat outside, not at my post, while other people were given preferential treatment to work inside on these cold days. He told me that the other people that worked outside were better qualified and bilingual. He asked me to write out an Incident Report. He also told me that when I went outside, the alarm went off. He said that the entire Terminal 4 was evacuated and the flight was delayed for hours.

- I was sent a termination letter by certified mail, which I picked up on January 26. The letter says that if I wanted to contest the termination, the Union Representative and I should contact FJC by February 2, 2010. I immediately called the Union; the secretary gave me the usual run around, saying he wasn't there, but then Dooley came on the phone. I told him that I had lost my job and wanted to talk to him. He asked me to fax him a copy of the letter and told me that he would get back to me. I faxed him a copy of the termination letter that same day, along with another written explanation of the events leading up to my termination, dated January 27. That is attached as Exhibit 2.
- 13. I called the Union the next day, the 27th of January. The secretary told me that Dooley was supposed to call me that afternoon. I never got a call from him.
- 14. On the 28th, I faxed to the Union a copy of my December 12 letter, which I had already sent, and is attached as Exhibit ____. Again I got no response.
- 15. I called the Union again and the secretary told me that there had been a death in the family, that he would be out for a few days. I asked to speak to some other representative, she told me that he was the only one who worked with FJC. She would sometimes say that she would email him and tell him that I had called.
- 16. On February 1, I went in person to the Union's office in Babylon. I asked to speak to Al Dooley. I told the secretary that I had until February 2 to

meet with FJC. The secretary told me that Dooley wasn't there. I showed her the termination letter, she told me she would make a copy of it and put it on his desk. She came back after a few minutes and told me that this week, Dooley was having a medical procedure, but that she would email him and maybe he would call me from home. I told her that I just wanted to be able to sit down and discuss my situation. I never asked them to go to FJC and get my job back. Once again, I never got a response.

- 17. I called the Union again, she told me again that he was having a procedure but that she would send him an email and maybe he would contact me.
- 18. On February 9, I finally got a call from Al Dooley, he left a message asking me to call him back. I eventually spoke to him. He told me that he had contacted the General Manager to try to get my job back, and he said that because I had gone through the door which set off the alarm, the Port Authority Police would not allow me to go back to work. I sent him a letter two days later, attached as Exhibit 2. I got a response to the letter.
- 19. I don't know that all the other people assigned to the jet bridge had more seniority. But one employee told me that he had been there a few months less than me. He told me that he worked on the jet bridge on the United Arab Emirates terminal. I don't think that assignments to the jet bridge or control tower were on seniority.
- 20. There was another guard working in the Cargo Area with me, but that person was not a permanent person, it would be a different person everyday. I was the only one there on a permanent basis.
- 21. I don't speak Spanish. The first week I was assigned to the Cargo Area, I actually did some shifts in the jet bridge. I asked Cabanilla later if I could work there again, and he told me that I was permanently assigned to the Cargo Area. When some of the people came to work on the jet bridge, I would see Cabanilla explaining to them what they had to do, thus apparently it was their first time doing that task.

I am being provided a copy of this Confidential Witness Affidavit for my review. If, after reviewing this affidavit again I remember anything else that is relevant, or desire to make any changes, I will immediately notify the Board agent. I understand that this affidavit is a confidential law enforcement record and should not be shown to any person other than my attorney or other person representing me in this proceeding.

I have read this statement consisting of 6 pages, including this page. I fully understand its contents and I certify it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me at Brooklyn, New York, this May 7, 2010.

Ashok Bokde, Board Agent

National Labor Relations Board

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